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When witnesses are examined the Court insists that they shall tell only what they *know*, not what they think or believe. Time and again the wandering witness is brought back to the point by the stern voice of the judge: "Madam we are not interested in what you *think*, we want to hear what you actually know."

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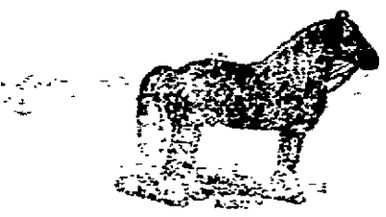

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A MONSTROUS LYNCHING

Terrible Fate of a Self Confessed Negro Murderer in Kentucky.

CREMATED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

Thousands Participated in the Lynching, and the Husband of His Victim Started the Fire Which Ended His Life—No Attempt at Secrecy.

Mayville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Richard Coleman, the confessed murderer of Mrs. James Lashbrook, wife of his employer, expiated his crime in daylight yesterday at the hands of a mob, consisting of thousands of citizens, by burning at the stake after suffering torture and fright beyond description.

Coleman was a trusted employe. Two months ago, while Mr. Lashbrook was at work some distance from the house, Coleman asked Mrs. Lashbrook to enter the cabin to look at some work on which he had been engaged. The negro locked the door on the inside. Mrs. Lashbrook became frightened and screamed. Coleman struck her on the head, knocking her down, but not stopping her cries. He then seized a razor and cut her throat. He picked up the bleeding body and placed it on the bed. He then left the room, but returning and hearing her groaning he struck her repeatedly on the head with an ax.

The negro then washed the blood from his hands and clothing and went to where Mr. Lashbrook was at work in the field and told him that he had better come to the house, as some one had killed his wife. It was not until after the officers arrived that suspicion was directed against Coleman. He was arrested and taken to Covington for safe keeping. Shortly after his incarceration at Covington he made a complete confession to the jailer. The story of his revolting crime, including worse than murder, was told without any appearance of feeling.

The trial was set for yesterday. Coleman had been told Tuesday night to prepare to return to the scene of his crime. He was stricken with fear, and begged piteously to be permitted to remain in Covington until after his trial. On entering the train he seemed unable to sit down until one of the guards forced him into a seat. It developed that in the crowd at Covington and even on the train there were some of the relatives of Mrs. Lashbrook, ready to convey information if any attempt was made to secrete the prisoner.

The prisoner, with his escort, arrived here at 10:20 o'clock. As the train pulled into the station the mob formed on both sides. Armed men warned the frightened passengers to remain quiet and not to interfere. Sheriff Perrine made a bold movement and started walking swiftly, but with no indication of a panic, from the car. A step behind him followed the officers, with Coleman in their midst, seeking to conceal himself behind the forms of his protectors. As the officers proceeded hundreds of stones and other missiles were thrown, and revolvers and rifles were freely displayed. The prisoner was frequently struck, and he presented a frightful appearance.

At the court house a mob of over 2,000 men, headed by James Lashbrook, the husband, had been hastily formed. The demand for the prisoner was made, accompanied by threats from the leaders. There was a brief struggle, and then the sheriff and his assistants were overcome and the prisoner pulled from their midst. Through the center portion of the town the mob marched, the prisoner being dragged along with the aid of ropes loosely attached to his body. He was the target of hundreds of missiles, and several times he sank half conscious to the ground, while the crowd struck at him with clubs, sticks and whips until his head and body were scarcely recognizable. More dead than alive, he was dragged along and forced to his feet. Scores of women joined the men. High above the noise the wretch could be heard pleading for his life.

The place of execution had been selected weeks ago. At the cricket grounds the prisoner was strapped against a tree and large quantities of dry brush and wood piled around him, while he was praying for speedy death. James Lashbrook, the husband of the victim, applied the first match to the brushwood, and as a brother of the victim struck the second match some one was slashing at the prisoner's chest with a knife. Not a single shot was fired, the purpose seeming to be to give the wretch the greatest possible amount and duration of torture. Pepper was forced into his eyes after he had been tied.

As the flames arose Coleman's horrors increased, and he made vain efforts to withdraw his lambs from the fire, all the time begging for a drink of water. The ropes were burned and his body finally fell forward on the burning pile. Even then, although it was not certain whether he was living or dead, the crowd used rails and long poles to push his body back into the flames. It is not certain how long life lasted.

At the end of three hours the body was practically cremated. Members of the family of Mrs. Lashbrook had remained to keep up the fire and keep the body in a position where it would continue to burn. Six-year-old children aided in feeding the fire.

There was not a single effort made to disguise or conceal identity. All the leaders of the mob are well known, and there are hundreds of witnesses who can testify to their participation in the tragedy. They are leading citizens in all lines of business, and many are members of churches.

County Judge Harbeson will empanel a special grand jury at once to make a speedy investigation and return indictments against the leaders. The statement that Governor Bradley proposes to offer a reward for the apprehension of members of the mob does not excite much fear that the reward will be claimed. There is a strong feeling that no punishment will result.

The body was left lying in the ashes, and relic hunters took away teeth, bones and flesh and everything from the body that they could lay hands on.

The coroner held an inquest on the charred remains and rendered the simple verdict: "Death at the hands of a mob."

THE GRAND ARMY MEETING.

Commander Shaw Predicts a Great Gathering at Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The meeting of the national council of the Grand Army of the Republic and the local general committee closed last night with a dinner and a reception at the Palmer House to the visitors given by the department of Illinois, G. A. R., the Women's Relief Corps and Ladies of the Grand Army in honor of Commander Shaw and National President Harriet J. Bodge, of the W. R. C. At the dinner Commander-in-Chief Shaw, in speaking of the next encampment, said:

"Doubtless the president of the United States will be in attendance, as well as other leading men of the nation. Admiral Dewey, who is a great favorite with the Grand Army, will no doubt be here as the guest of the city of Chicago and the Grand Army combined. The Grand Army is very proud of the great admiral. I have advices from all the departments, embracing 45 states, where the Grand Army exists, and they are all united in the judgment that the year 1900 will be one of the most glorious in the annals of the Grand Army."

General Shaw said that he intends visiting, if possible, every department of the Grand Army in the United States, and for the months of March and April has planned a tour embracing the states of Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Louisiana, Florida, Texas, Arkansas, Kentucky and possibly one or two others.

The date for the encampment has been fixed from Aug. 28 to Sept. 1.

A CONTEST POSSIBLE

Over the Estate of the Late Alexander Craig.

New Haven, Dec. 7.—There is a possibility of a contest over the estate of the late Alexander Craig, who with his entire family perished in the railroad wreck at Paterson, N. J., Nov. 29. A nice point is suggested as to whether Mr. Craig survived his wife or not. In case Mrs. Craig did not die until after her husband papers of administration will be prayed out on her estate as well as Mr. Craig's. If, however, she died before her husband there will be but one administration. The contest, if there is one, will be between Mr. Craig's heirs and those of Mrs. Craig. Suit against the railroad company cannot be legitimately brought until the question of priority in death is established.

Preacher and Wife Shot by Burglar.

Racine, Wis., Dec. 7.—Rev. David B. Cheney, of the First Baptist church, and his wife were shot by a burglar yesterday at their home on Lake avenue. Mrs. Cheney was shot in the breast, and the ball is believed to have lodged in her left lung. Mr. Cheney was shot in the abdomen and in the center of the breast. Both are in a critical condition. The burglar escaped. If he is caught it is believed he will be lynched. The burglar entered Mrs. Cheney's bedroom and ordered her to throw up her hands. She screamed, and the burglar fired. In the hallway he encountered Mr. Cheney, and shot two bullets into him.

Discussing Hayward's Successor.

Omaha, Dec. 7.—Ever since the late Senator Hayward was taken sick and it was known that the chances were against his recovery, there has been considerable talk as to whom Governor Poynter would appoint to the vacancy. The only ones prominently mentioned are ex-Senator Allen and G. M. Hitchcock, of the Omaha World-Herald. The Democrats are urging the appointment of the latter, on the ground that they have not received their proportion of the offices under the fusion deals of the past few years. The Populists insist upon the naming of Allen.

Another Mississippi Feud Victim.

Macon, Miss., Dec. 7.—Information which is regarded as reliable was received here last evening that H. B. Wycker was killed about one mile from his house in Winston county, Tuesday evening. This is a continuation of the Johnston killings in Winston county, inaugurated some time ago. This makes four white men and two negroes who have been killed in this feud. They were all shot from ambush.

To Prevent Strikes in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The great labor was threatened so long between the Chicago building contractors and trades unions has been averted through an agreement for a permanent arbitration board whose personnel is to be thoroughly representative of the trades unions and the other interests concerned. No sympathetic strike is to be declared until the new board has had an opportunity to investigate

Arrested For Murder on His Birthday

Detroit, Dec. 7.—Harry Hamberger was arrested yesterday, charged with the murder of John M. Reindel, who was brutally murdered in his bicycle shop last Saturday night. Hamberger is a former employe of Reindel's and is known to have been in the shop on the evening the murder was committed. There is strong evidence against him. Hamberger was celebrating his 20th birthday when arrested.

Up Go Coal Prices.

New York, Dec. 7.—The anthracite coal companies yesterday made an advance of 25 per cent a ton in the price of pea, buckwheat and barley, the "steam sizes" of anthracite. The advance is due to the fact that the supply of bituminous coal at this point is exceedingly small.

The Kentucky Argument.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 7.—The floodgates of oratory were opened promptly when the election commissioners took their seats yesterday, and it rolled on for hours, with a brief intermission at noon. The Republican speeches were longer and more elaborate than those of the Democrats, who were apparently saving as much as possible of their time for Judge Hargis, of Louisville, who today makes the great argument for Goebel. The arguments were carried on during the day in the greatest possible harmony.

Another "Investment" Fraud.

Minneapolis, Dec. 7.—Ward & Watson, who have been operating what is known as the "arbitrage system" here, similar to that of the Franklin syndicate in New York, have disappeared, leaving their clients and numerous creditors in the lurch. The firm guaranteed to pay 50 per cent annually on investments. The amount of losses by investors is not known, as all evidence was destroyed.

Murderer Escapes Indictment.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 7.—In the circuit court yesterday Armistead Howard, who recently killed Armistead Ferguson, was released because the grand jury failed to find a true bill against him. Ferguson was intimate with Howard's wife. After repeatedly warning Ferguson to end his relations with the woman Howard sent a pistol ball through Ferguson's heart.

Georgia's Prohibition Measure.

Atlanta, Dec. 7.—The debate on the Willingham bill, which provides for state prohibition, was begun in the Georgia senate yesterday. The measure has passed the lower house of the general assembly, but its opponents claim that they have 25 out of 44 votes in the senate, and that the bill will be defeated. The advocates of prohibition are making a strong fight to have it become a law. The bill provides for the abolition of all saloons, breweries and legalized distilleries.

Count Tolstoi's Serious Illness.

London, Dec. 7.—A special dispatch from Berlin says that Count Tolstoi has been seriously ill. For two days he was unconscious, but he is now slightly better, although great anxiety is still manifested in Moscow regarding him.

Gave Her Life For Her Child.

Fort Valley, Ga., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Benjamin T. Thomas, who was badly burned Tuesday while attempting to rescue her little child, who had fallen into a brush fire, died yesterday. The child's injury also will prove fatal.

Republicans Indorse Finance Bill

Washington, Dec. 7.—The Republican members of the house of representatives gave their unanimous approval yesterday to the house financial bill recently introduced, and recommended its immediate consideration and passage.

Two Years For a Dishonest Banker.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—William Weir, president of the defunct Ville Marie bank, convicted of furnishing a false statement of the bank's affairs to the government, was sentenced yesterday to two years', less one day, imprisonment.

MANY SENATE BILLS.

Nearly Eight Hundred Presented During Yesterday's Session.

SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT.

They Include a Pacific Cable Bill and Measures For Postal Savings Banks, Government Telegraph, an Income Tax and Election of Senators.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Nearly 800 bills and joint resolutions, several important concurrent resolutions and petitions numbering hundreds were presented to the senate yesterday. Some of the bills—a majority of them, in fact—were old stagers which had been introduced in the last congress or in previous congresses. A vast number of them were of minor importance, but a few were of national interest and consequence.

Mr. Aldrich had the honor of introducing the first measure in the senate. It was the financial bill drawn by the senate committee on finance, of which Mr. Aldrich is chairman, and probably was the most important measure introduced during the day.

Resolutions were offered providing for an investigation by the judiciary committee of all phases of polygamy recently presented in connection with what is known as the Roberts case; expressing the sympathy of the senate for the Boers in their war with Great Britain, and declaring that Senator N. B. Scott, of West Virginia, is not entitled to a seat in the senate.

Mr. Harris, Kansas Populist, was appointed a temporary member of the committee on privileges and elections. The appointment is important and significant because the committee has under consideration the Quay, Clark and Scott contests. Senator Harris has been generally regarded as antagonistic as to the right of a governor to fill a senatorial vacancy where the legislature fails to elect, and as the committee is close, so far as can be surmised from the records of senators, his vote may determine the character of the report to be submitted to the senate for its action in Senator Quay's case.

Among the bills introduced were the following:

By Mr. Hale, for the construction of a Pacific cable by the navy department, to be operated by the postoffice department, and appropriating $11,000,000 for this purpose.

By Mr. Kyle, for the establishment of postal savings banks and a government telegraph system; for the restriction of immigration; joint resolution for a constitutional amendment for the regulation of marriage and divorce.

By Mr. Harris, joint resolutions for constitutional amendments authorizing the imposition of an income tax and for the election of senators by the people.

By Mr. Stewart, for the regulation of the election of United States senators; for the revision of the mining laws, and for the regulation of desert lands.

By Mr. Warren, for the cession by the general government of 5,000,000 acres of arid lands to each of the arid land states.

By Mr. Lodge, for amendment of the immigration laws.

By Mr. Hoar, for the regulation of the election of United States senators.

By Mr. Cullom, to provide a form of government for Hawaii; to pension war veterans over 70 years of age.

The Cargoes From Santos.

New York, Dec. 7.—A conference between the coffee merchants and the board of health yesterday resulted in no conclusion regarding the admission of the cargoes of several ships from Santos now held in quarantine. Chairman Murphy, of the board, declared it was useless to talk about the release of the cargo of the J. W. Taylor, the infected ship, but said the board would hear the committee on Saturday again regarding the cargoes of three uninfected ships.

Fugitive Declares His Innocence.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 7.—The police of this city arrested yesterday Charles Riley Apperton, who confesses that he is wanted in Marlington, Pocahontas county, Va., on the charge of murdering Julia Simons by shooting her. Apperton, however, claims that he is innocent of the murder, and that it was committed by his partner, Andrew Lowdermilk, in the presence of Apperson.

Fatal Railroad Wreck in Ohio.

Mansfield, O., Dec. 7.—On the Baltimore and Ohio, three miles west of here, late yesterday afternoon a work train crashed head on into a freight which was leaving a siding. F. R. Woodard, of Newark, conductor of the work train, was killed. He leaves a widow and children. Harry Peterman, of Newark, engineer, was fatally injured. Three other men were injured.

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OLD-TIME HUSKING BEES.

Memory often takes an outing
From the present passing show
Spreads her pinions and goes scouting
To the scenes of long ago.
Back unto the fun and frolic
Of the rural sports and plays.
Pleasures charmingly bucolic
That were ours in younger days,
And the very chief of these
Were the country husking bees.

On the old barn floor we'd gather,
Boys and girls and older folks.
Hearts as light as downy feather,
Lips all ripe with rustic jokes.
Air just sparkling with our laughter
As the gay hours onward sped
Until every cobwebbed rafter
In the shadows overhead
Seemed to quiver and to ring
As a high-keyed fiddle string.

Now and then the air was riven
With a shout 't'd wake the dead,
Telling that the fates had given
Some glad cuss an ear of red,
Then would come the kissing struggle
'Mid the husks upon the floor.
After which the girl would snuggle
To him closer than before.
Blushing to her finger tips
From the thrill born on her lips.

How the happy picture lingers
With us through the fleeting years
Of the way the toil scarred fingers
Snatched the jackets from the ears.
Of the flashing lanterns hanging
'Round, and casting flickers o'er
Merry dancers who were banging
Dust from out the old barn floor
As the fiddler jerked his bow
Muscularly to and fro.

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Every day I hear the singing
Of some dear old rural ode,
Melody of youth-days ringing
Through our mountainland abode
And my loving glances wander
To that happy wifely face
That I learned to love back yonder
In that far east country place.
She is all the world to me:
Found her at a husking bee.

WHY IS A JELLY-FISH?

A WONDERFUL TALE OF JAPAN.

BY F. W. REMY.

You little children of today, who are so wise in school-room lore, may object to the title of my story,—"Why is a jelly-fish?" I hear you say in scoffing tones, "Why, because it is, of course,—just like a clam or an oyster; it just is a jelly-fish?"

But I am going to give you the answer that the Japanese fairy-tales give to the brown-eyed little ones of old Japan. You know how very old Japan is—so it is quite likely that in her past history she would have seen the very beginning of many things; and she says that the jelly-fish was not always the helpless, quivering mass that you see lying helpless among the bright hued shells and shining pebbles on the seashore.

Years and years ago, when the world was very young, the Japenese fairy tales tell us that the jelly-fish was far more active and spry than any of his finny brothers; for he, besides his fins and tail, had tiny feet, which enabled him to walk upon the land with the utmost ease and grace.

I do not myself believe that his brain was very active; for I think that any fish—yes, even a clam—would today be wise enough to escape the horrible fate by which one silly jelly-fish ruined a whole race of active, agile creatures. For just see what happened.

The old king of the dragons, who had for many years been a cross, cranky old bachelor, fell in love with and married a beautiful young dragoness. So lovely was she, with sea green eyes, coral lips, and yellow hair, that it was no wonder the old king adored her. Great was the rejoicing throughout all the kindgom at the marriage festivities. Every fish that could swim, from the least to the geatest, came bearing beautiful gifts. But the clams and the oysters were considered in those days the wise men of the kingdom; and royalty even deferred to them, waiting for hours at a time for them to open their mouths on grave questions of state. So, they never left home, but received in great ceremony in their own domains. To them, attended by a long train of courtiers, composed of the finest scholars in all the schools of fish, went the dragon king and his winsome bride; and so everyone in Dragon Land welcomed the sovereigns, and all was joy. But, alas! this happiness was too great to last! At the zenith of the honeymoon the sweet young dragon queen became mysteriously ill; and in spite of constant care from the best doctors in the realm, she pined away, and seemed about to die. One day, in a voice as soft as a fish's breath, she said to her husband: "In a dream I learned of what will cure me. Fetch me the liver of a live monkey, and your little periwinkle"—for so the king had often called her in a tender moment—"will get strong again." "The liver of a live monkey, periwinkle of my heart!" cried the astounded king. "Why, monkeys live far away, among the great forests on the land! They, poor things, cannot swim nor live in the water kingdom of the dragons! Heart's periwinkle you must be mad!"

Then the young queen moaned and sobbed: "Ah! it is true what mamma said. You never loved me! One little thing I ask, to save my life; and you will not give it to me. Go away! Disport among fairer and younger dragonesses!" In great distress the dragon king sought counsel among the scholars of the jelly-fish school, and, after listening to the strange fancy of their idolized queen, the bravest among them said:

"Listen, O dragon king! I will swim across the waters, and climb the forest hills; and so sweetly will I sing of the beauties and delights of Dragon Land that I will entice the monkeys from the tree tops, and they will all clamor to return with me. But I will choose the plumpest and the youngest and bring him on my back to your august dragonship."

"Do this," said the dragon king, and the choicest coral house, inlaid with pearl, and the most radiant dragoness in the kingdom shall be yours!" So the gallant jelly-fish started on his "Liver Quest." He swiftly swam across the water; and—fortune always favors the brave—just where he happened to land stood a grove of trees, and up in the top of one he saw a beautiful young monkey. He knew by the monkey's cheerful face, and the enjoyment with which he was eating nuts, that his liver was in good shape. So he commenced his beguiling talk:

"O Mr. Monkey, jump down from your tree!
Come, cross the beautiful water with me!
There shall you see a beauteous land,
Where fruit-trees and nut-trees grow stately and grand;
And man, who is always annoying you here,
That radiant country does never come near."

The monkey, entranced by this lovely song, forgot the ties of his home, and clambering quickly down from his perch, said: "I accept your invitation. Lend me your bathing suit."

"No," said the wily jelly-fish. "Jump on my back, and I will take you there. It is not fitting that a guest to my king should even wet his worshipful feet." Now you know how impulsive a monkey is, and also how clever. So it is no wonder that, after they had started, the monkey began to think and wonder if he had not been acting unwisely in trusting himself to this stranger. So he put on his most winning manner, and offering the jelly-fish his last nut, said: "How clever you are! You walk so beautiful on the shore, and swim with such ease in the water! If all your people are so smart, why should you care to take such a clumsy creature as I to your beautiful country." And now the jelly-fish, who had become very tired of carrying his heavy load, and also was not loath to show that his brain was quite as clever as his shell, felt that he could safely tell his real reason for taking the monkey on this journey. "Oh!" said he, in an airy manner, as he shook the salt drops from his tail and wiped the water from his eyes with one tiny foot, "Oh, I forgot to mention that, although Dragon Land is far more lovely than I have ever told you, your visit will be short. His majesty, the dragon king, really wishes for your liver, that it may be made into a medicine for his wife, the lovely young queen."

Now the shell of the jelly-fish was so thick in those days that he could not feel the shiver of fear that shook the monkey from head to tail, and the roar of the waters drowned the gasp of horror that the monkey gave.

He only heard him say: "I ask nothing better than to yield up my chattering, frivolous life for the sake of the queen of the dragons, the fame of whose beauty has mounted to the tops of our highest trees. But, unfortunately, I left my liver hanging on the branch of the tree in which I was playing. You see a good liver—and mine is of the best—is too precious a thing to carry about with one; and so I usually take mine out when I am playing, and only put it in when I am ready to go home. I am so sorry to ask you to go back for it. But, you see, I would be of no service to the queen at present, unless,"—a sudden thought seemed to strike him,—"unless my heart, lungs, or brains would be of use. All I have is yours!"

"No," said the jelly-fish: "only a liver. We must go back for yours. I wish I had told you at first what I really wanted you for, but I had no idea you tree dwellers were so good natured." The jelly-fish was so ill-natured on the return trip that he chose the roughest course he could, and the monkey became very sea-sick before they reached the shore again.

"Now hurry up your liver!" called the jelly-fish, as the monkey bounded from his back as soon as they touched the shore of Monkey Land.

Up to the topmost branch of the tree climbed the monkey in less than no time; and then, after scrambling about in the branches, and making a great fuss, he called out: "I cannot find my liver anywhere. Some one must have stolen it, or perhaps my mother has taken it home to keep it safely for me. I will go and look for it; but you had better go home and tell your king about it, or he may be worried about you. Come for me tomorrow at this time, and I'll have my liver all ready and waiting for you."

Of course, you all know what the silly jelly-fish never dreamed of, that the monkey had no intention of giving up his liver for any dragon queen, and that he was chuckling to himself at the ease with which he had fooled the jelly-fish.

But the jelly-fish started off in high good humor, and hastened to the dragon king with a glad heart. What was his amazement, however, when, after telling the king all that had happened, he beheld his briny majesty fly into a fearful rage.

So wild with fury and disappointment did the king become that he called to his "officers of shell-fish law,"—the sword-fish and the whale, and bade them deal with the jelly-fish to the fullest extent of the law. "Away with this barnacle of stupidity! Beat him to a jelly! Let no bone, no smaliest bit of shell, remain unbroken! May his feet, his fins, his eyes,—yes, and his liver—all become one shapless mass!"

So the officers seized him, and did as the king commanded; and that is why, at this late day, jelly-fishes have no bones, are nothing but a pulpy mass. And the dragon queen? Why, would you believe it? When she found that she could not have a liver from a live monkey, she simply made up her mind to get well without it, especially after she heard two young star-fish talking, as they glided past her pearl window one night, of the beauty and charm of a young dragoness who had just been presented to the dragon king by her match-making and farseeing parents.—Christian Register.

SELF-HELP OF THE POOR.

Products of Philadelphia's Pingree Potato Patches.

Three years have passed since the Philadelphia Vacant Lots Cultivation association was organized, as the result of the Pingree "potato patch" experiment in Michigan. The beginning was modest, but the business achieved was so marked that after the first year its future was assured, and the objects were no longer regarded as experimental.

The association aims to secure the unused vacant lots in and near the city for the free use of the poor for trucking purposes. Seeds and implements are supplied by the association without cost, and the only condition imposed on those who are given patches is that they be properly cared for. As an aid to success, instruction in trucking is given when necessary.

Two hundred and sixty-eight families were given plots of a quarter of an acre each, and how faithfully and successfully the work was performed is shown by the results, which are between 3000 and 4000 bushels of potatoes, 10,000 to 12,000 baskets of tomatoes, 60,000 to 70,000 heads of cabbage, 10,000 to 12,000 ears of corn, 10,000 to 12,000 stalks of celery, 4000 to 5000 bushels of turnips, besides large quantities of other vegetables, including egg plants, carrots, cantaloupes, watermelons, beets, peppers, onions and radishes.

Organizations of the character of the Philadelpeia Vacant Lots Cultivation association deserve active encouragement. They are the truest friends of the poor, for they extend that sort of help which is best appreciated, and can be most easily accepted by the self-respecting. Idle land, a few seeds, the necessary tools and instruction are furnished. The results are in the hands of the recipients. It is helping the poor to help themselves.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Peru's Penal Colony.

Tacilla island is the penal colony of Peru, and large barracks have been erected by the government for the entertainment of political prisoners. It is said that a number of gentlemen who now have the honor of holding office at Lima have spent more or less time at Tacilla while their political enemies were in power.

Nearby are two smaller islands which are peculiar because of the fact that one is covered with black gravel and bowlders and the other with white gravel and bowlders. They lie so close together that it is possible for a man to throw a stone from one to the other, and their geological formation is exactly similar, but strangely enough not a white stone can be found upon one and not a black stone upon the other.—Chicago Record.

Australian Railroad Fares.

The railroads of Australia have never discovered that it is possible to take up tickets on the train, hence the passengers are locked in the cars to prevent any of them from stealing a ride, and when they arrive at their station are hustled out through a turnstile and held up for tickets.

Depends on the Moon.

Among the Vosges peasants children born at the new moon are supposed to have better hung tongues than others, and those born at the quarter to have keener reasoning powers.

REAL PEOPLE

Were Mother Goose and Mary Who Had the Little Lamb.

Many suppose "Mother Goose" to be an imaginary personage, but she was a real woman, and her maiden name was Elizabeth Foster. She was born in 1665, married Isaac Goose in 1693, a few years later became a member of the Old South church of Boston, and died in 1757, at the age of 92 years. Her songs were originally sung to her little grandchildren. They were first published in 1716 by her son-in-law, Thomas Fleet, of Boston. The "Mary" that "had a little lamb" was Mary Elizabeth Sawyer, a Massachusetts girl; her lamb was one of twins forsaken by an unnatural mother. Mary took it home and cared for it herself. They became fast friends, and when Mary started to school her pet missed her very much. So one morning it followed her. At school she tucked it under her desk and covered it with her shawl, but when she went out to her spelling class the lamb trotted after her. The children laughed wildly and the teacher had the lamb taken from the room. On that morning a young student named Rawlston was a visitor at the school. The incident awakened his poetic genius and a few days later he handed Mary the first three verses of the poem. He died soon after, ignorant of the immortality of his verses. The lamb lived many years, and met death by the horns of an angry cow. Mary's mother spun its wool into yarn, from which she knit her daughter a pair of stockings. Years passed and the stockings became yellow with age. Finally Mary raveled them out, cut the yarn into bits, fluffed it out, sewed it to cards, and after writing on them verifying the genuiness of the yarn, sold them to secure money to help save the Old South church of Boston.

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CAREER OF CECIL RHODES WHOM PAUL KRUGER HATES.

First Made a Fortune of $75,000,000, Then Gained Power—Gave Warning to England—"The United States of South Africa Has Not an Ill Sound," He Says.

Perhaps Oom Paul Kruger knows, and perhaps he does not, just how much his personal hatred for Cecil Rhodes influenced him when he flung his ultimatum in England's face and practically declared war just when all things seemed making hopefully for peace. When a man as strong as Oom Paul hates he does it with an intensity which, even more than he suspects, may bend awry the usual even, true lines of his judgment and lead him to acts his natural, cold wisdom would not indorse.

"That murderer," is Oom Paul's gentlest word in speaking of Rhodes, when, indeed, he can so far overcome his loathing for the man as to refer to him at all. Next to religious fervor the predominating sentiment in Oom Paul's mind is hatred for this Englishman who towers as a Colossus among his countrymen in South Africa, just as Oom Paul himself towers a master-spirit among the Boers there. They are two giant figures in the world in these closing months of the century—giants locked now in a death grapple in which either one or the other must go down with a crash never to rise again. One of the first acts of the Boer campaign was to put a price on Cecil Rhodes' head; about the first concerted strategic move was against the place where he was intrenched.

When in 1871 Cecil Rhodes' health gave way and he was obliged to leave college, he consulted a physician, who told him he must go to a milder climate. He was a methodical old doctor, and in his private memorandum of the case he wrote as a foot note, "Cannot live six months." He was a thin-faced, lanky lad of eighteen then, with dull eyes. His countenance did not suggest intelligence and indicated nothing of force. That was only twenty-eight years ago. Now he is the diamond king, the gold king, the railroad builder, the multi-millionaire among multi-millionaires in his private humdrum capacity. In his public capacity he is the founder of a vast empire, a statesman who in Gladstone's time was counted second only to the grand old man himself; since Gladstone's death counted second to none in all the vast British dominions for relentless force and sheer weight of personal power.

It naturally would be a good deal of a man who could make hatred for himself the one overshadowing passion of a character so broad and full of force as that of Kruger. It is impossible to think of the Transvaal leader indulging himself in real hatred for anything smaller than a giant.

"It is no use for us to have big ideals," said Rhodes once in conversation with his friend, Chinese Gordon, "unless we have money to carry them out."

That sentiment was the keynote of his early career in South Africa. He had big ideals and he needed a colossal fortune to carry them out. So he went and got the colossal fortune, just as a carpenter would go and get his tools to do a piece of work. His one ideal, around which all other ideals centred, was a vast United States of South Africa. His dream was a compact federated nation like the United States of America. He stood first and above all things for the right of the governed to a voice in the government. No taxation without representation! No rule of an oligarchical ring! are the cries with which he has made South Africa ring until they culminated in the demands for representation which made Oom Paul throw down the gauntlet. How thoroughly he is imbued with American ideas he is constantly showing in his utterances, private and public. When the home rule agitation was going on in England he exclaimed impatiently:

"Why don't they go and read the Constitution of the United States instead of speculating on this and doubting about that? There is no speculation or doubt about it. Home rule is not an experiment. It has been worked out and solved in the United States for more than a hundred years."

Another time, commenting on the vilification that was being poured in the English papers on South African ambitions and on him personally, he said:

"That is the sort of talk that led to Bunker Hill. I am loyal. The Cape is loyal. But continued injustice and misrepresentation will alienate the most loyal. If England interferes with us—well, the United States of South Africa is not an ill-sounding name.

As to his wealth, it is up somewhere among those prodigious figures where a million or so does not matter either way. Some place it at $75,000,000 and some at $150,000,000, and a figure between the two is probably about right. In his money-getting days he was a money-getter and fond of money and that which represented money. The story is told in Kimberley that he filled a pail full of diamonds, all his own, and poured out the glittering heap again and again with almost childish pleasure.

But that epoch quickly passed, and he turned to graver things.

"He would now no more think of hoarding money," said an acquaintance of his recently, "than a party leader would think of hoarding votes. To him a million pounds simply means a lever, an instrument of power."

It is impossible for those who see him now to think of him as ever having been a weakling sent abroad to die. He is 6 feet 1 inch tall in his shoes and heavy and muscular in proportion. His appetite is a marvel. Chief Lobengula called him "the man who eats a whole country for his dinner."

"He had the face of a Cæsar, the ambition of a Loyola and the wealth of a Crœsus," says one writer.

His gray eyes, somewhat sunken in their orbits, have an almost melancholy expression, in curious contrast with the bold resolution of the other features. Washington had such eyes, so did Lincoln. In speech Cecil Rhodes is simple and direct, and in manner frank. He has waged several fierce wars with natives; he is building a railway and telegraph line from Cairo to the Cape, to say nothing of the lines he has built in the Cape country itself. He has founded an empire—and he is but 46 years old. Yet his great reproach against himself is that he is lazy—has led, on the whole, rather an indolent life.

JACK'S GRIEVANCES.

How He Makes Them Known to the Captain of the Ship.

There is now but one way open for the enlisted man, bluejacket or marine who has a kick to register. He must show his hand and file his complaint in his own person or name, verbally or in writing. If twenty, fifty, a hundred enlisted men have a common grievance, they must present that grievance in delegation to the commanding officer, or in the form of a written bill of complaint, with their signatures attached to it in the order of their relative rating. In most cases the method of presenting grievances in delegation at the mast is resorted to by the enlisted men of the American navy of today. The man with the individual grievance occasionally puts his complaint in writing and addresses it to the secretary of the navy. Commanding officers are compelled by regulations to forward all such complaints to the civil chief of the navy—with, however, whatever indorsements thereon they elect to make.

It's generally a moderately bad job for an enlisted man to write a narrative of woe to the secretary of the navy. Such a chap doesn't frequently find his after career in the navy one long dream of peace and quiet. Enlisted men who have drawn up unreasonable complaints—even complaints not entirely unreasonable—and thus addressed them, have generally shed quite some saline tears in their hammocks afterwards over the foolishness of the act. It seems reasonable to suppose, too—for human nature is the same on sea and land—that no bluejacket or marine can possibly add to his sumtotal of comfort or happiness aboard ship by more or less bluntly informing the civil head of the navy department that the commanding officer of the vessel on which he serves is an unjust man, a bully or a man who doesn't know his business. Yet this fact, which looks so obvious, is very often ignored by rash enlisted men.

Hofmann's Independence.

Josef Hofmann, the famous young pianist, is fond of all sorts of sports, especially of skating, in which, as a boy, he excelled. When visiting St. Petersburg a year or two Josef was summoned to play before the ex-Empress, the hour being named from 3 to 4 in the afternoon. It was a perfect day. The Neva was frozen over, of course, and the skating was at its height. Immediately after luncheon Josef's father found his son dressing as if to go to the palace.

"Where are you going?" he demanded.

"To play for the Empress."

"But you are not going until 3 o'clock."

"Three o'clock! If I wait until then it will be too late to go skating. I'm going now."

He went. And it is not a surprise to any one who knows Hofmann to learn that he played for the ex-Empress as soon as he reached the palace, and that he then went off and skated the rest of the afternoon.

"Trek."

The Boer word "trek" means literally "track." The Boers use it as a noun to mean a journey, and as a verb to mean "traveling" or "marching," or still more specifically, "migrating."

They "trek" merchandise from Cape Town or Delagoa bay into the interior. When oppressed in the southern provinces they "trekked"—or migrated—toward the north, and their three migrations in search of a land where they might be free are known to them as "the three treks," or, as we should say, the three migrations.—New York World.

There is urgent need in the City of Mexico for more foundries and machine shops capable of doing first-class work in reasonably prompt time.

FOR WOMAN'S BENEFIT.

A New Field for Women.

The widow of the former Governor Atkinson of Georgia has entered the ranks of business women as a general state agent for fire and life insurance companies. By the death of her husband Mrs. Atkinson was left with five children to support and educate, and it was with this purpose and also with the object of opening a new field of labor to women that she undertook the work.

Winter Waists and Bodices.

Odd waists and bodices have come to be an accepted and essential part of every woman's wardrobe, so it is well to bestow a little thought upon the general effect, and in selecting material and trimming to have those which match the skirt in color. This applies to the dressy bodice. A shirt waist in winter is usually made to wear with jacket suits and should contrast prettily.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The Diversions of Cuban Girls.

An American girl who made a visit to Cuba recently was struck by the mild form of entertainments indulged in by the Cuban damsels. They have no games and bicycling is not considered proper except for extremely young girls. Dancing is one of the few pastimes in which they enjoy themselves, and concerts are always well attended by the young women, accompanied by their duennas. On Sunday afternoon the well-to-do Cuban takes his family for a drive around the Prado, when the women vie with each other in displaying the latest fashions.

A White Pleated Tea Gown.

A very soft and pretty teagown is a long, simple robe of gauzy white silk, with a deep hem that has a ladder work of silk embroidery at the head. It falls in a long, pointed train—all the newest trains are shaped like V's. There is a bodice of the same silk pleated closely and drawn from a narrow square band of lace at the neck into a thin silver belt. The sleeves are of the broad, old-fashioned, wing-shaped, angel variety, almost like replica in miniature of the skirt. They fall back from the bare arms with every motion of the hands. The skirt is made over a petticoat of plain white silk, with flounces of lace round the bottom, and the whole garment has the most exquisitely simple yet thoroughly smart effect.

The Quiet Girl.

The quiet girl never wears high colors in the streets; you do not see her flaunting in brilliant checks when they happen to be in style. When high hats are in she does not pile hers so high that it sweeps the cobwebs from the sky. She does not wear the longest train to her tea gown, nor the greatest number of bangles when bangles reign.

But because she does not chatter and giggle and make herself conspicuous at matinees, does not announce her convictions on all occasions and on all subjects, and profess her admiration at every hand's turn, it must not be supposed that she has no ideas or convictions or enthusiasm. She is quiet because she has no power to make herself heard, to change her condition or because she is maturing that power.

In the meantime it is the quietest girl who marries earliest, who makes the best match, who fills the niches which her more brilliant sisters leave vacant; who manages the servants, runs the sewing machine, remembers the birthdays, listens to the reminiscences of the old, and often keeps the wolf from the door.—Woman's Life.

Novelty in Tucking.

A novelty that seems to be making something of a sensation is a style of tucking employed largely by the Parisian modistes. The tucks are no larger than a cord, and are not straight nor yet on the bias, but in decorative groups following a given outline. They are not possible excepting upon very supple cloth, such as crepe de chine, soft cashmeres, henriettas, etc. A serpentine band of tucks is very pretty waving up and down near the bottom of a skirt or tunic. One gown that has lately been imported is a perfect marvel of the needlewoman's craft. Down the front of the skirt is a panel, and on either side of this the cloth is worked up into a mass of spiral scrolls made as described, of tiny tucks. The sleeves are simply tucked on the bias. Another skirt of light cinder-colored cloth had a wide hem around the bottom. Above the hem were fourteen or fifteen rows of tucks in the shape of large scallops. This is a mere trifle, but such an important one. After all, details of this kind give the stamp of date as well as of good taste to a gown. Everyone knows when a certain sort of trimming came into vogue and whether or not it is a last year's novelty. Scrolled and curved tucks are rather difficult matters to handle, even by professional modistes; applique, on the contrary, that is so striking and so attractive, can, with a little care, be done at home so that it will stand favorable comparison with the imported articles, which, by the way, are so exorbitantly high priced that only women with unusual means can afford to indulge in them.

Twentieth Century Fabrics.

There are signs that in the twentieth century the humble spider, whose creative talents have long been wasted in spinning endless traps to catch miserable little flies, will be promoted to a higher sphere of usefulness, according to a writer in Cassell's Magazine. He seems predestined to furnish the lovelier part of humanity with her most choice apparel, although the skeptical might fancy that a dress of cobweb, however suitable to fairies, would scarcely pass muster in the City of London. Adopted by man and relieved from the necessity of earning a precarious livelihood by expedients of doubtful morality, the spider is capable of much. Already the French military balloonists are breeding and taming spiders to yield fibers for their balloon cords. About a dozen tame spiders furnish the fibers to make a thread. The spiders are placed in a machine and the fiber is drawn out automatically a certain length at a time. These fibers are pink in color, and after being washed to remove the sticky matter on them, are united in a thread, and those threads are spun into cords for the balloons, which, for their weight, are much stronger than silk. Several species of the insects are adapted for this domestication, but the most promising is the "Halaba," or silk spider, of Madagascar.

Harmonize Perfumes.

As much thought should be given to the blending of perfumes of flowers as to colors. A vase full of differently-scented flowers can never emit a wholly satisfying result. The stronger scent, while being affected by all the others present, and therefore losing its purity, will in the end predominate. Imagine, on the other side, the sweet white violet, whose odor is so faint and elusive as to be almost imperceptible, being placed with flowers of stronger fragrance. As far as any gratification to the human sense is concerned, nature might as well not have endowed it with this charm. The only way to enjoy this little flower is to gather a large bunch and then to keep them separate from all others.

As a rule, it is not well to place more than two scented flowers together, and even then they should be selected with care. Of these, mignonette and sweet pea may be mentioned as combining extremely well. The perfume they emit is no stronger than that of the individual blossom, but it is sweeter. In fact, when these two flowers are grouped proportionately together one is reminded on inhaling them of the fragrant peach.

Heliotrope and lemon verbena form another delightful combination, with an element of refreshment, for darkened summer rooms. A few bouquets of these flowers, instead of making the atmosphere heavier, seem to clear away some of its sultriness. The lemon verbena should be added judiciously; a little over the right amount and its odor soon destroys that of heliotrope.

Hardly anything more lovely can be imagined for a bouquet than the opening buds of the blush rose and a few shoots of honeysuckle. The delicate fragrance of the rose to temper and render even more luscious the honeysuckle's stronger scent.

Large, heavily scented flowers should be used in moderation. Little can be done in the way of combinations to make their odors less oppressive. It is always best to keep them separate and in a place through which a current of air passes.—New York Press.

Gleanings from the Shops.

A profusion of steel, rhinestone, pearl and jeweled ornaments for millinery use.

Many new designs in black chantilly veils, with sprigged or effectively dotted centres.

Long empire ulsters in light shades with variously shaped revers and high medeci collars.

Russian sable capes finished with white satin revers overlaid with heavy point de venise.

Bright red empress and zibeline cloth costumes elaborately stitched for children's wear.

Silk petticoats made with rich lace flounce headed by rows of inserting in a matched pattern.

Short carriage coats having their edges cut in irregular scroll design with lace incrusted revers and bell-shaped cuffs.

Fur neck pieces finished with high-pointed collars from which depend a series of fur balls or tassels, instead of the regulation tails.

Broad interior displays of new assortments of laces in which Cluny all-overs, insertings and bands are conspicuously represented.

Girls' suits made up of blue serge skirt and round waist composed of blue and white checked taffeta with trellis work yoke of rib'on.—Dry Goods Economist.

THE PARSON'S LIMIT.

He'd been preaching and exhorting
For a score of years or so
In a portion of the Vineyard
Where the harvesting was slow;
Where the temporal inducement
For his ceaseless diligence
Was a promise of four hundred
For his yearly recompense.

Unrelenting was the ardor
He devoted to the cause,
And though slowly came the dollars
Still he labored without pause,
Till one day they came and told him,
As he kicked against the pricks
That they'd raised their offered stipend
From four hundred up to six.

Then the good man sank exhausted
As he feebly made reply,
"Don't, I pray you, men and brethren,
Thus my patience overtry,
For to glean the four you've promised
Hath so warped my vital store,
That 'twould kill me if you taxed me
To collect two hundred more."

—Boston Courier.

HUMOROUS.

A note of great interest—I. O. U. $100 at 8 per cent.

"I thought she was a flame of yours, man." "She was, until she put herself to cut me."

"Don't you admire football, Clara?" "I detest it. Percy's got his collar-bone broken, and I can't put my head on his shoulder for a month.

Hicks—There is one thing you can say with truth about Pinchker. He always keeps his word. Wicks—And anything else he gets hold of.

Ethel (studying grammar) — Say, Reggie, if a man druggist is a pharmacist, what would you call a woman druggist? Reggie—A pharmacister, of course.

"What we need," said the editor, "is higher criticism." Thereupon he issued orders to have the book reviewer and the dramatic critic given offices on the top floor.

"I bought a poor tramp some coffee and doughnuts this afternoon," said the shoe-clerk boarder, proudly. "Very good idea. Buying sinker for a floater," said the Cheerful Idiot.

Life is but a little story,
Punctuated in the main,
With commas of our happiness
And periods of our pain.

He (telling a hair-breadth adventure)—And, in the bright moonlight, we could see the dark muzzles of the wolves. She breathlessly—Oh, how glad you must have been that they had the muzzles on!

"Do you," said the notary, "swear that you will tell the truth, the whole truth, and—" "Oh, how lovely!" the fair witness interrupted. "Shall I really be allowed to talk all the afternoon if I want to?"

Grimes—See here, Smith, why didn't you call last night? I told you my daughter was going to sing some of her new songs, and you seemed delighted. Smith—I was delighted—to know she was going to sing.

"These dialect stories make me tired," remarked Noorich. "What's the matter now?" asked his wife. "Why, when a man writes 'sich' or 'sech' for 'such' that's all right, but I draw the line at 'Psyche.'"

Mr. Bragg—I got a wireless message from San Francisco this morning. Mr. Wise—But I didn't know Marconi's system would carry so far. Mr. Bragg—Marconi didn't have anything to do with it. It came by mail.

"What do you charge to wash a shirt?" inquired the man at the counter in the laundry. "What kind of a shirt?" asked the clerk, with his mind on outing shirts, dress shirts, negligees, and the various other possibilities in that line. "A dirty shirt," replied the man.

Chinese Do not Want Opium.

The Chinese on the west coast of New Zealand have united with English colonists to hold meetings, form a committee and petition parliament to suppress the import of opium into the country. The Chinese are fewer in number there than they formerly were, almost all the opium used is consumed by them for smoking purposes, and this degrading habit is increasing not only among themselves, but among the European youths of the colony. They, therefore, beg the government to limit and control the import of the drug. Almost all right-thinking men and women feel sympathy with these people in their endeavor to check the use of the vile drug. We do not want to have upon our conscience any of the reproach that still clings to the mother country concerning the forced introduction of opium into China.—Correspondence in Chicago Record.

It Didn't Pay.

The national characteristic of Scots is developed at an early age.

"My dear little boy," said a minister in Glasgow to an urchin who was standing looking in at one of the Sabbath school windows, "would you like to join our Sabbath school and grow up a good man?"

"What sort o' Sunday schule is it—'Stablished?"

"Yes," said the clergyman, "it is connected with the Established church. Are you not coming in?"

"Na," replied the boy; "I tried the 'Stablished kirk Sunday schule last year an' I got only two oranges an' a pock o' sweeties at the Chris'mas tree—sae I'm gaun to gi'e the Free kirk a trial this year."—Answers.

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THE ITEM,

NEW OXFORD, PA.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 8, 1899.

In another column will be found a copy of grogram for the Farmers' Institute to be held in this place on Saturday Dec. 9th. These meetings are in the interest of all our farmers, and open to all. The expenses of conducting them is borne by the State. No collections are allowed or the advertising of any business. The discussions are upon farm topics for the benefit of farmers. Arrange your business so as to attend and take part in the exercises. All classes of citizens are welcome.

A report reaches us that an effort is being made to raise a stock company for the manufacture of stockings, &c. We can but repeat what we have said many times heretofore, that it is to the interest of every citizen to encourage every enterprise that will be to the interest of the town. Property-holders and capitalists should lend every effort to encourage manufacturing enterprises that will, not only give employment to residents of the town, but will induce others to locate here. It is to their interest, as the demand for properties increase, the value thereof increases also.

The one hundredth anniversary of the death of the "Father of our country" will be on Thursday, December 14th. In many places Grand Army Posts have taken the initiative and asked the co-operation of the pastors of churches, church choirs and the public schools, for the purpose of arranging for a proper memorial service for the occasion. Every American reveres the name George Washington, and the day will be a fitting one for a review of his life as a Christian, as a Patriot and as a Soldier, and the lessons deduced therefrom applied for our growth in the grand traits exemplified in his character.

Up to the present time there have been 15,045 claims filed in the Pension Office as a result of the war with Spain and the war in the Philippines. Of these 695 come from the navy. The faster the regiments are mustered out the greater are the number of claims for pensions filed. The average since the first application was made has been about 50 a week. There has been no material increase recently, but with the expectation of a speedy cessation of hostilities in the Philippines the Commissioner of Pensions is making preparations to handle a large number of claims which it is thought will undoubtedly be made at that time.

Census Applicants Fail.

Director W. R. Merriam, of the Census Bureau, is amazed at the percentage of failures among the applicants for place under him. He says; "They cannot spell, and they cannot do ordinary arithmetic. Fifty per cent. fail, and they fail because they cannot divide 100,000 by 4028; that is, they cannot get a correct result. It is simply marvelous, the lack of education in these rudimentary branches. Something must be radically wrong with our system of education. Our public schools teach botany and psychology and moulding, but apparently they do not teach simple arithmetic and spelling."

A New Revenue Tax Law.

The Mercantile Tax bill, approved by the Governor last May, impeses an annual tax of $2 on retail dealers and one mill additional on each dollar of the whole value gross of business transacted annually. Dealers at exchanges and boards of trade are required to pay a tax of 25 cents on each $1,000 worth, gross, of goods so sold. It provides that Mercantile Appraisers shall be appointed by the County Commissioners on or before December 30, except in Philadelphia, where the Auditor-General and City Treasurer appoint five Appraisers, all of whom shall not be of the same political party, and who shall serve for three years.

The blanks to be distributed by the Mercantile Appraisers are to be prepared by the Auditor-General, and shall contain an affidavit, to which the dealer shall subscribe. The whole volume of business, including cash receipts and merchandise sold on credit, shall be the basis on which the license is to be rated. If the owner, proprietor or any other person connected with a business refuses to produce the books and papers and appear before the County Treasurer to give information on which to base his tax, he is made liable to a penalty of $1,000.

The dealer, under this act, is required to place permanently at the entrance of his place of business a sign describing the business in which he is engaged, under penalty of $10 for every offense.

The revenue raisers calculate that this law will increase the income of the State about $1,000,000 annually. It was materially amended on its passage. In its original form it would have brought in a larger revenue.

Programme

Of the Adams County Farmers' Institute, to be held under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture of Pennsylvania, in Miller's Hall New Oxford, Pa., on Saturday, Dec. 9th, 1899.

SATURDAY MORNING,—10 o'clock.

Presiding Officer.
Prayer.
Address of Welcome.
Response.
"Loss of Nitrogen in Barn Yard Manure and how to prevent it."—By J. A. Fries, State College, Center County, Pa.
"Value of the Clover Plant."—By Gabriel Heister, Harrisburg, Pa.
Queries.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON,—1:30 o'clock.

Music.
"How a Farmer can Build up a Profitable Dairy Herd."—By Rev. Walter H. Beamer.
Recitation.—By Miss Mary Sheely.
"The Culture and Feeding of the Corn Crop."—By L. W. Lighty, East Berlin, Pa.
"How to Make Farming Pay."—By Miley Miller, Hampton, Pa.
Queries.

SATURDAY EVENING,—7 o'clock.

Music.
Recitation.—By Miss Myrna Ruff.
"Relation of Lime and Marl to Agriculture."—By J. A. Fries, State College, Pa.
"The Proper Use of the Plow, Harrow and Cultivator."—By Gabriel Heister, Harrisburg, Pa.
"Management of Dairy Cows on the Farm."—By L. W. Lighty, East Berlin, Pa.
Queries.

The foregoing order will be followed as closely as possible but other exercises will be introduced, if found desirable.

Although these Institutes are designed and conducted for the education and advantage of farmers, yet all who are interested are invited to attend, and it is hoped that they will show their appreciation, not only by being present at the meetings, but also by taking part in the discussions,

ASK QUESTIONS?—A Question Box will be kept upon the Secretary's desk, and all are invited to place therein such questions as they may wish to discuss during the session. At a proper time designated by the meeting, these questions will be referred to some one for answers, or brought up for general discussion.

A. I. WEIDNER,
Arendtsville, Pa.,
Chairman of the Board of Institute Managers for Adams County Pa.

Court Items.

The December Argument Court was held Monday, all the Judges on the bench.

In the Orphans' Court the guardian accounts in estates of Carrie B. Fuhrman and Walter H Fuhrman, minor children of Daniel S. Fuhrman, dec'd, were confirmed.

Also the administration accounts in the estate of Daniel S. Fuhrman, dec'd, and Wm. P. Quinby, Esq., appointed auditor to dispose of exceptions and make distribution.

The account in the estate of Henry Beamer, dec'd, also confirmed.

Order of sale awarded of real estate of Civilla M. and George R. Rex, dec'd, with leave of administrator to bid at sale.

Order of sale of real estate of Joseph A Fohner, dec'd.

Sale of real estate of Joseph Byers, dec'd, confirmed.

Sale of real estate of Samuel Taughinbaugh, dec'd, confirmed.

Guardian account in estate of Harriet B. Krauth confirmed, and guardian discharged.

Order of sale of real estate of Samuel Weikert, dec'd, awarded, and bond approved.

Order of sale of real estate of Joseph P. Myers, dec'd, awarded, and bond approved.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

January 18, 1900, fixed for hearing applications for liquor licenses.

Report of inspectors of bridge over Opossum creek in Menallen township on Bendersville and Pine Grove road filed and approved.

COMMON PLEAS.

Return of sale of assigned real estate of J. R. Lishey confirmed absolute as to tract No. 1, and confirmed nisi as to tracts Nos. 2 and 3.

Return of sale of assigned real estate of Jacob A. Chronister confirmed nisi.

In the matter of the exceptions to the distribution of the Sheriff's sale of real estate of W. H. Mayer, under partition proceedings, the distribution was amended so as to distribute $370 to Jos. Heafner, and the balance of $752 20 to the judgment of Jacob Mayer, administrator of John Mayer, dec'd.

In case of Anna S. Pfeffer vs. School District of Liberty, motion for judgment for want of a sufficient affidavit of defence was argued, and during the argument the case was discontinued.

In case of D. K. Ernest vs. Emanuel King, certiorari to Justice of the Peace, the exceptions were sustained and the judgment before the Justice reversed.

Executions amounting to about $3800 have been issued against Adam Bupp and Aaron W. Bupp, of Hamilton township.

The long-continued case of the Schenley Park Amusement Company vs. the York Manufacturing Company, resulting from an ice machine alleged to be defective, was concluded Monday night, with a verdict in favor of the defendant, the local company. The Court intimated that there could be no demand for the recovery of the money paid for the ice machine, as no demand was made until after the accident and fire.

If a doctor refuses to take his own medicine you can't blame an undertaker for not wanting to attend his own funeral.

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Your doctor says take care of yourself and take plain cod-liver oil, but you can't take it. Only the strong, healthy person can take it, and they can't take it long. It is so rich it upsets the stomach. But you can take

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It is very palatable and easily digested. If you will take plenty of fresh air, and exercise, and SCOTT'S EMULSION steadily, there is very little doubt about your recovery.

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HARPER Whiskey is rapidly becoming the national beverage. It's the one thing all parties agree upon. Republicans, Democrats, Populists. Even the "knownothing" party knows one thing; the merits of HARPER Whiskey. Sold by F. L. Fleshman, New Oxford, Pa.

A Missouri woman died and was being carried by four pall-bearers, to the graveyard, when the bearers in passing a sandy part of the road, stumbled and fell and jolted the woman back to life. She lived seven years after that and then died. Again the pall-bearers picked up the coffin and marched to the graveyard, and when they reached the sandy spot the husband rushed forward and said: "Steady, boys, steady!"

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnston of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and paining me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me. For sale at Wehler's drug store, New Oxford,

SPRING SALES.

FEBRUARY.

26th,—Wm. Roth, near McSherrystown, farm stock and implements.

MARCH.

2nd—Heirs of Israel Myers, Straban township, farm stock and implements.
1st—Wm. Emlet, Hamilton township, farm stock and implements.
7th—Eph. Bollinger, Reading township, stock and implements.
8th—J. S Roland, Hamilton township, farm stock and implements.
6th—Cyrus Miller, Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements.
9th—Simon Kime, Hamilton towship, large lot of stock and farm implements.
16th—Spangler Hetrick, Mountpleasant twp., farm stock and implements.
21st—Sampson Kepner, Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements.
24th—Harvey Starner, Oxford township, farm stock and implements.
22nd—Mrs. David Shultz Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements.
26th—F. X. Smith, Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements.
30th—James A. Weikert, Oxford township, stock and implements.

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ASSESSMENT No. 24.

The Board of Directors of the Mummasburg Mutual Fire Protection Society have ordered an assessment of 4 per cent. on the amount of the premium notes for fire losses, and one per cent for wind storm losses. payable on or before the 28th day of December, 1899.

Particular attention is called to the 17th Section of the By-laws, viz.: "Whenever an assessmen has been made upon the premium notes and not paid within thirty days thereafter the same shall have been demanded, the policy shall be considered as null and void and of no validity, but the Directors may retain the premium note and collect thereon such sum, and should it become necessary to enforce the payment of the amount assessed by suit-at-law the recovery of said cost to form part of the claim due by the delinquent member of the society.

MARGARET McGREW,
12-1-3t. Secretary.

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Dolls with movable joints and eyes, natural hair, for 50c. and upward.

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These are only a few of the many nice presents we can show you. A visit to our store will not only please you in the assortment but will pay you well for your time.

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Wehler's Drug Store, New Oxford, guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to any one who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

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This is the time of year that every one is interested in overcoats, We have them in all styles and varieties

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TOWN AND COUNTRY.

G. B. Naee & Son have a new advertisement in to-day's paper. Look it up

Best place in Hanover for Newest Dress Goods is at WENTZ & BRO.

Vincent O'Bold, of McSherrystown, is feeding 210 head of cattle on his five farms around McSherrystown.

"Marriage," says the confirmed bachelor, "is a grindstone for sharpening wits, and Cupid turns the crank."

The Troys are actors of ability and versatility. Miller's Hall this Friday evening. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

John Yantis, of North street, McSherrystown, started the foundation for a new cigar factory on Thursday morning.

Mrs. Margaret Wiest will sell a lot of household goods at public sale, at her home in Qualityville, on Saturday, Dec. 16. See bills.

Several days ago Messrs. David G. Minter and John B. Haverstock, of Arendtsville, killed seven large skunks in one den.

Another arrival of Ladies Coats and Plush Capes. Come see them. Also Fur Collaretts. WENTZ & BRO.
Hanover, Pa.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sheely of Church street, a few days ago and now "Shelly" is quite elated over the addition to his household.

It is not too early to announce your Spring sale in our sale register. We already have several. It will prevent others from appropriating your date.

While Miss Margaret E. Jordy, of Abbottstown, was opening a coceanut with a knife, last week, the knife suddenly turned and entered the palm of her left hand, inflicting an ugly cut.

FROM now until Dec. 23rd, I will sell out my entire stock of Millinery at cost.
IDA G. HORNER,
New Oxford, Pa.

Mrs. David Fink has been lying critically ill at her home near town, with pneumonia, the past week, but we are pleased to state is now convalescent.

The schools of Irishtown have been closed for this week on account of the prevalence of measles, at the instance of Dr. George L. Rice, Health Inspector for the district.

Mr. L. H. Felix, of East High street, slaughtered a porker on Monday that weighed 438 pounds dressed. So far as heard from Mr. Felix had the champion heavy-weight hog of the town.

Jack Troy is a commedian and mimic of great ability. Miller's Hall this Friday evening. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

The Lower Bermudian Reformed church, which has been greatly improved in appearance and comfort, will be re-dedicated Sunday Dec. 10th.

S. B. Gochenauer, of Bendersville, has sold his farm in Latimore township, containing 99 acres and 84 perches, to Harry B. Pearson, of York Springs, for the sum of $3,900.

White Marsailes Quilts $1.69 the $2.00 kind. WENTZ & BRO.
Hanover, Pa.

Harry A. Miller, of York, a son of W. H. Miller and wife, of Abbottstown, and Miss Sue A. Kessler were married in York on Thursday.

The Lutheran Sunday-school at York Springs has adopted a novel manner of raising funds. They are cracking shellbarks and picking the kernels, throwing the gain into the treasury.

Jessie Troy is known as the Venus of Flexibility. Miller's Hall, this Friday evening. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

"Crown Cigar Factory" is a new sign placed over the door of O. A. Smith's store-room, Hanover street, this week. Only a few hands are employed at present, but the force will be increased as the business grows.

For Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks and Silverware of all kinds, visit our store. What we have not in stock we will order for you on short notice. We also always have on hand all the leading patent medicines. At our store you get what you ask for; no persuading to take some other worthless preparation because there is a little more profit in it for us.
A. J. WITMER.

It is said that the net proceeds of the fair held by the Catholic congregation of Littlestown, the past two weeks, amounted to about $1300. The net proceeds of the fair held by the Fairfield congregation amounted to $450.

By the last will of the late Mr. Conrad Glass, of Oxford township, the Church of the Immaculate Conception, this place, receives $500.00. The balance of the estate is left to his widow for her life and after her death to be divided equally among the six children.

Mr. Chas. E. Pearson is again the sole proprietor of the East Berlin News, having purchased the interests of his pardner, Mr. Peter Kimmel, the change taken place Friday December 1st. Mr. Renel Diller, of York Springs, has been employed to assist in the office work.

Mr. George W. Emmert has purchased from the Executor of Mrs. Emily W. Hartman, deceased, the valuable store property occupied by the firm of G. W. Emmert & Bro., together with the one-half interest in the Odd Fellows Hall, York Springs, on private terms.

Parties intending to have sale next spring will do well to select their dates and send them to the ITEM office for publication in our "Sale Register." There is no charge for a notice in the "Sale Register" when the bills are printed at this office. Call and examine our work before placing your order elsewhere.

Dr. Lutherpher Jasper Weikert has removed his jewelry, patent medicines, watch-mending clock fixing establishment and cigar factory from the corner room of the Livingston block, Center Square, to the middle room of the same building. The room vacated by the doctor is to be put in proper condition for the Farmers' and Merchants Bank.

On Thursday last Gil. P. Emmert, assignee of J. R. Lischy and wife, disposed of the following real estate: No. 1, a house and lot in York Springs, to Daniel Lerew at $750. No. 2, a five acre orchard lot adjoining York Springs, to G. W. Keefer, for $206, and No. 3, the farm of about 125 acres in Huntington township, to Capt. D. M. Stewart for 1,010.

Representatives of the Adams county, Cumberland county, Hanover, Lancaster, Columbia, Shippensburg, Chambersburg and York Telephone Companies met with Dr. Eisenhart, of the York company, at the Lafayette club room in York last week to arrange for the more complete establishment of toll lines between their systems and for the agreement upon rates for such lines.

After a month of exciting sport in the South Mountain, deer camps broke up last Friday morning, the season having closed with the evening of Thanksgiving day. The number of deer killed by the various camps is as follows; Arendtsville, 7; Kane's, 5; Cashtown, 4; Fayettville, 2; Taylor's, 2; Dillsburg, 2; Mont Alto, 2, and by individuals 4 making a total of 28 for the season.

Dr. M. Moriarty, last week, inspected and tested with the tuberculin test, for the State Live Stock Sanitary of Pennsylvania the herd of 6 cattle owned by G. O. Mickley, of Virginia Mills, Adams county. One of the herd was found to be affected with the disease known as tuberculosis. The animal was appraised, slaughtered and disposed of in the usual way.

At the meeting of School Directors of Adams county, held at Gettysburg on last Tuesday, the following were elected as delegates to attend the State Directors' Convention in Harrisburg: C. H. Myers, Tyrone; W. C. VanScoyoc, Latimore; F. S. Cromer, Cumberland; Calvin Hamilton, Gettysburg. As alternatives: J. B. Haverstock and A. M. Lochbaum, Franklin; H. A. Smelser, Arendtsville; Z. H. Cashman, New Oxford.

Thomas Brady, son of Lewis Brady, of Irishtown, an employe of William Gettier, cigar manufacturer, of Manchester, Md., fell from a bicycle Friday evening and broke his nose and cut his forehead. Young Brady was on his way home to Irishtown and in coming down a hill near Sherman's church the chain of the bicycle broke and became tangled in the wheels which threw him.

White paper, such as the ITEM is printed on, has advanced $15.00 per ton over former price, and nearly all kinds of printer's stock has advanced from twenty to forty per cent. The outlook is for still further advance, as the mills over the country claim to have orders booked sufficient to keep them busy until next summer. The primary cause for the situation is the combination of paper mills of great capacity in all parts of the country, by which they have obtained control of the raw material.

Harry N. Gitt, of Hanover, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress from York County, to succeed E. D. Ziegler. Robert J. Lewis, Republican, who was defeated by Mr. Ziegler last year, will again be a candidate for the office, it is said.—Philadelphia Times.

PERSONAL.

Misses Alice and Lottie Hersh, of Altoona, Pa., and Miss Anna Deatrick, of Heidlersburg, are spending the week with their uncle, Mr. Hanson Hersh and family, near town.

Mrs. Catharine Diehl and daughter, Leah A., and M. D. Diehl and family spent Saturday at the home of Hanson Hersh, on Pleasant Hill.

Mr. A Kunkle and wife visited at the same place.

Misses Elsie Winand and Lottie Stambaugh visited the former's grandmother, Mrs. Mary Ehrhart, at McSherrystown, last week.

Mr. Geo. Sherman, of Westminster, Md., spent a few days with friends here.

Geo. A. Snyder, of the Hospital Corps, U. S. A. who has been recently discharged on expiration of term of service, arrived here from Fort Wingate, New Mexico, where he last served. George contemplates re-enlisting for service in the Philipine Islands, where two of his brothers now are, after spending some time with friends here.

Jos. Paul, a student at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, spent Thanksgiving with W. R. Snyder, of the University of Maryland, at this place.

Miss Anna H. Gardner, daughter of Wm. H. Gardner, of York Springs, who has been engaged at Kindergarten work in Carlisle and Philadelphia for the past two years, has been very fortunate in securing a position in the government service, among the poor, uneducated children on the island of Porto Rico. She expects to embark within a few weeks, upon a government service steamship from New York harbor directly to San Juan, situate upon the north-eastern coast of the island.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Vinnie E. Trostle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Trostle, of York Springs, to Mr. Horace F. Smith.

John A. Sheely attended a session of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M., of Pennsylvania, which met in Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on Tuesday. Mr. Sheely was the representative from Hebron Lodge No. 465 of this place.

Miss Cora Ruff, of Gettysburg, spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Mrs. Samuel Hann, of Granite, and Mr. and Mrs. John Shanabrook and family, of Gettysburg, were the guests of Mr. Benjamin Eicholtz and family, Hanover street, the past week.

Stores Broken Into.

Sometime during Wednesday night the store of G. W. Emmert & Bro., at York Springs, was broken into and robbed of the following articles, valued at about $150: 4 ladies' wraps, 4 coats, 35 men's pants, 30 pairs of men's shoes, all about the same size, 12 suits of underwear, 12 watch chains and 2 dozen rings. The money drawer, which was equipped with a burglar alarm, was not touched.

The store is equipped with a complete burglar alarm system. The thieves were evidently acquainted with this fact for they gained entrance by making a hole 3½ feet in diameter in an 18 inch brick wall in the rear of the store. Tools for the purpose were obtained at W. Himes' blacksmith shop about 2½ miles from the store.

The general store of D. A. Mickley, in Cashtown, was broken into last Monday night, but nothing of cosequence was taken except an overcoat belonging to Mr. Mickley. It is supposed that the thieves were scared off by one of the neighbors who was up during the night.

Alms-House Appointments.

The new Board of Directors of the Poor on Tuesday morning elected the following:

Steward—Charles Strausbaugh.
Clerk—Peter C. Stock.
Treasurer—Charles Troxell.
Physician—Dr. W. H. O'Neal.
Attorney—W. F. Dill, Esq.
Keeper of the Old Men's House—Elmer Kepner.
Keeper of the Insane Department—Frank Slonaker.
First Teamster—Frank Wetzel.
Keeper of the Old Woman's House—Mrs. Frank Wetzel.
Shoemaker—Samuel Firor.

The Fair a Success.

The Fair and Festival for the benefit of the Parochial residence of the Immaculate Conception church held in the school building last week was a success financially and otherwise. The net proceeds will amount to nearly $700. Everything passed off very quietly and sociably.

Mrs. Matilda Lawrence held the lucky number and drew the handsome suit of furniture.

Mr. P. J. Noel got the set of harness.

Miss Blanche Lingg, of Emmitsburg, drew the fine set of dishes.

Mr. J. B. Weaver got the couch.

There were many other articles disposed of but the list is too long to make mention of all.

The coffin trust has advanced prices ten per cent. This seems to be as far as the trusts can follow the consumers.

Death's Doings.

Cora Ellen Thomas, daughter of Mrs Sarah A. Thomas, of Hanover, died Thursday evening from a complication of diseases, aged 37 years, 3 months and 13 days.

Miss Thomas was a dwarf, and favorite of the entire neighborhood. When but three years of age, she was, it is stated, bitten by a rat, which induced an attack of blood poisoning, and retarded her growth, so that in stature she was no larger than a child of 4 or 5 years.

Miss Thomas measured only 37½ inches in height and 30 inches around the waist. She usually enjoyed good health and weighed 44½ pounds. She retained childish manners all her life, the development of her mind stopping with the end of the growth of her body.

Mrs. Mary House, wife of Chas. House, of Hanover, died on Saturday evening at 5 o'clock, at the home of J Ross Myers and family, in Baltimore, after a brief illness of pneumonia, aged 47 years, 8 mo. and 3 days.

Deceased was a daughter of Solomon Snyder and wife, of Red Land, and was married March 10th, 1872, to Charles House, who with three children and four grand children, survive her.

Rumors Disproved.

For the past three weeks a rumor has been in persistent circulation in Hanover as well as throughout this section, regarding the death of the late John H Alleman. The rumor was to the effect that Mr. Alleman, who died October 9. 1898, at 8:45 a. m., and was buried in Mount Olivet cemetery Tuesday afternoon, October 11, was not dead, but had been seen alive in Pittsburg and various other places. The rumor grew and was embellished with details that only gossip could conceive. No importance was attached to the silly rumor, as investigation showed that each and every particular of the story was without a particle of foundation, and the nearest approach to trace its origin was that a traveling salesman, in conversation, in Hanover, had declared that he saw a man in Pittsburg who so closely resembled Mr. Alleman that he spoke to him on the street, but was soon made cognizant of his error This was probably the foundation for the story which was by degrees twisted into the shape in which for the past ten days it has been rolled from tongue to tongue.

To avoid further annoyance relatives and close friends of the dead man have caused to be prepared sworn statements, which should effectually put an end to rumors which are absolutely without a shadow of substance.—Record.

Fire at Irishtown.

About three o'clock this Thursday morning the smoke house of Mr. Edward Hemler in Irishtown was destroyed by fire, together with the meat of two hogs, bicycle and other articles. The dwelling house was also badly damaged, the rafters being burned on one side of the building, window frames damaged, &c. The blinds of the house were in the smoke-house being painted and were burned, as was also a lot of paint. Mr. Hemler was smoking meat on Wednesday and the fire is supposed to have originated from that. We have not learned the amount of loss, or if there was any insurance.

Found by the Wayside.

This Thursday morning whilst Mr. Frank Kemper, mail carrier between this place and Bowlder, was coming to town he found lying by the side of the road, near the residence of Peter Menges, about 1½ miles from town, a man aged about 60 years almost frozen to death. Mr. Kemper with some neighbors removed the man to the residence of Mr. Joseph Evens, and then summoned Dr. Sheetz. The man, at the time of going to press, had not the power to tell what had happened him or who he was.

Noble Items.

The Trustees of Salem U. B. church have put up a new chimney and are making preparations to place a new furnace in the church.

While J. Nevin Rinehart was on his way to Mr. John Stallsmith's on Saturday, he fell and fractured his wrist bone.

Mrs. Cora Steinour, of Beckerville, is visiting in this vicinity.

Mr. Marker and wife, Mr. John Brown and Miss Hymiller, of Maryland were the guests of J. H. Duttera and family on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Bucher spent last Tuesday at the home of J. W. Harman.

Mr. Edward Twomy is still confined to the house.

Mrs. J. A. Stallsmith has been ill for several days.

Mrs. Lydia Golden spent a few days with her son near Biglerville.

W. L. Rinehart, wife and daughter visited Mr. Oliver Harman, recently.
Lin.

Fire destroyed the large barn and outbuildings on the farm of Philip B. Snader, between New Windsor and Marrion, York county, about 3 o'clock Saturday morning. The heat was so intense that the live stock in the barnyard were roasted to death. All the stock, except a bull, a heifer and a calf, perished in the flames incuding 5 horses, 1 colt, 16 head of cattle and 10 sheep. The origin of the fire is unknown. The estimated loss is over $3 000, with $1,700 insurance.

A Big Interest.

An exchange argues that corn loaned to a hog is cash at large interest. He will put bushels of corn in less space than will a bushel measure. He has been styled a manufacturer of hams, lard, tooth brushes, buttons, fertilizer, fats, bacon, knife handles, whistles, soap, sausage, souse and satisfaction. He converts corn into coin and can buy what he will.

CHURCH NOTICES.

There will be preaching in St. Paul's Lutheran church next Sunday at 7 p. m. Sunday School 9 a. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. 6 p m.; Junior C. E. at 3 p. m. Catechetical class will meet Saturday at 2 p. m.

REV. FERDINAND HESSE, Pastor.

There will be preaching in the M. E. church next Sunday at 10 a. m.; Sunday School 9 a. m.; Epworth League 6 p. m.

REV. GEORGE M. GLENN, Pastor.

Divine services in St. Paul's Reformed church next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School 9 a. m.; C. E. Society 6 p. m.; Teachers meeting Thursday 7 p. m.; Prayer-meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m. Catechetical class Saturday at 2 p. m.

REV. P. E. HEIMER, Pastor.

This Friday being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, it is observed in the Catholic Church as a holiday of obligation. The mass in the church here will be a Low Mass at 8 o'clock.

There will be one mass in the Catholic Church Sunday morning—High Mass at 10:30.

REV. S. CLEMENT BURGER, Pastor.

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THE MARKETS.

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Choice Wheat	$ 65
No. 2 "	0 65
Raked "	59
Rye	42 @ 47
Corn	38 @ 40
Oats	22 @ 24
Clover seed, per lb	2 @ ½
Timothy seed	1.00 @ 1.50
Timothy hay	5.00 @ 9.00
Rye straw	5.00 @ 8.00

MARRIED.

Nov. 28, by Rev. R. H. Clare, Curtis A. Stough and Miss Minnie Ehrhart, both of near Abbottstown.

Dec. 1, by Rev. F. S. Lindaman, Wm. R. Bang, of Hanover, to Miss Mary A. Carbaugh, of Sell's Station.

Nov. 30, by Rev. M. M. Noacher, Melvin O. Deardorff to Miss Mary E. Funk, both of Menallen township.

On same day by the same, Mervin E. Roth, of Arendtsville, to Miss Lizzie E Stahl, of Menallen township.

On same day by same, Arthur Lightner, of Butler township, to Miss Laura C. Trostle, of Franklin township.

Nov. 28, by Rev. J. F. Mackley, Milton W. Biesecker to Miss Sarah B. Biesecker, both of McKnightstown.

Nov. 29, by Rev. D. A. Riddle, J. L. Hospelhorn to Miss S. Jennie Scott, both of Freedom township.

DIED.

Deaths free—tributes, verses, &c., 5 cts. a line.

Dec. 3, in Gettysburg, Mrs. Mary R. Gilbert, aged 25 years, 7 months and 2 days. She is survived by a husband, J. W. Gilbert, and an infant child.

IF YOU HAVE PAIN IN YOUR BACK,

Let us give you a piece of advice: Pain in the back is an almost infallible sign of Kidney disease; a surer sign is the condition of your urine, if you have a pain in the back then look to the condition of your urine. It is easily done. Take a glass tumbler and fill it with urine, after it has stood 24 hours; if it has a sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, if it is pale or discolored, stringy or ropy, your Kidneys and Bladder are in a dangerous condition and need immediate attention, or the consequences may prove fatal.

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If you'll wait—
If you stand prepared to challenge
Any fate:
There's a way laid out for each
Leading through the gloom to light,
And by striving you shall reach
The fair station on the height
Soon or late.

There are problems to be mastered
Day by day:
There are prices all the winners
Have to pay:
There are hardships great and small
And the road is long and rough,
But it's easy, after all,
If you jolly men enough
On the way.

—S. E. Kiser.

Little Kittie Kenyon.

BY LOUISE KENNEDY MASIE.

When Tom Ainslie's cousin Maude announced her engagement to Williams, the rich leatherman's son, every one gasped and then said: "Wonder how Tom likes it?"

Tom wondered a little himself. He had long been devoted to his cousin Maude, ever since he could remember, in fact, and he had always had a vague idea that at some definite time they might "make it a go together." It would have been a convenient thing for them both, for she would have brought Clifton back into the family, and Tom had the money she lacked.

"But I wasn't worth while," sighed Tom to himself pityingly leaning back in his chair and stretching his long legs out toward the fire. "I'm surprised that I don't feel worse. Always was fond of Maudie, and it would have been a nice thing all around. Hope Williams is all right for her. Always fancied the beggar myself. And it seems I'm the best man. Beastly nuisance; all girls and frocks and wedding cake. I'll have to go through with it, though for Maudie's sake. And little Kitty Kenyon is to be maid of honor. She has never been decent to me; seems to bear me a grudge. Little Kitty Kenyon," and Tom sighed again.

The wedding was to take place at once, and a church rehearsal, with a supper at the bride's home, had been planned for the evening before. Tom arrived at the last moment, just in time to reach the altar as the procession came up the church. First the ushers, then the six bridesmaids, who walked stiffly, as if with the weight of nations on their shoulders. Tom's eyes twinkled as he watched them. Oh, they came, these pretty girls, sobered beyond their usual wont.

"First time in her life Elsie Yates hasn't danced along," Tom thought. "That Ashton girl is so ugly. Oh, by Jove—" Tom's eyes were fastened upon the small figure of a girl walking alone. Such a pretty girl, with great black eyes, that sparkled, and such a graceful girl, swaying slightly, in time to the stately music. She glanced up as she neared him, and a demure look of exaggerated pity came into her eyes. Then she had passed him, and taken her place near the bride.

"Little wretch," thought Tom, biting his lips, "I always seem to strike her as a joke."

The short rehearsal was over, and Tom was walking down from the altar with the tiny maid of honor at his side.

"You're so far away I can hardly make you hear me, Miss Kenyon. I have attempted it three times, and you are utterly oblivious."

She glanced up at him quickly.

"Oh, no, only sad, Mr. Ainslie. I am so sorry for you. You bear up so wonderfully well, too. If you want to cry a little, walk behind that pillar and I'll excuse you to the rest. Just for three minutes. No? Don't need it? You can stand it a trifle longer?"

"What have I ever done to you, Miss Kenyon? I'm an innocent individual who never did you any knowing harm. Will not your kind and pitying heart speak for one who is only anxious to let you walk on him? And who only succeeds in rousing your nasty, evil little temper?" said Tom, in a distinctly melodramatic manner.

She looked at him serenely for an instant. "Stuff and nonsense," she said, and ran off to Maudie, who was calling her.

He managed to secure the chair next hers at supper, though Sheldon had his hand upon the back of it, and scowled darkly at Tom when he sat down. Miss Kenyon looked up with a smile.

"Oh, so you are feeling kinder toward me now, are you not?" he said, bending over her with the devoted air he had toward women. "Because I want to ask you a question, and I want you to answer it seriously. You will? Well, why do you not like me?"

The girl gave him a curious little glance, and her lashes fluttered a moment. Then she answered, looking straight at him.

"You have too much of the 'Conquering Hero' air about you."

"I didn't know that," said Tom meekly. "Can't you help me to change it? Because I like you, you know," in a low voice, "very, very much."

He was staring at her very hard, and saw the rose tint deepen in her cheek. She turned her shoulder toward him.

"Mr. Sheldon," she called, "you are neglecting me shamefully. Won't you come over here beside me? Mr. Ainslie is just leaving." She glanced at Tom out of the corners of her eyes.

Ainslie got up instantly, looked at her a moment, then with a quick bow crossed the room to his cousin. "Sorry, Maudie, but I must be leaving. Williams, I'll see about those tickets." And he was gone.

Sheldon sat down with a radiant smile, but after a few moments his face clouded, and the radiant smile was gone. Miss Kenyon evidently did not feel like talking.

All the next day, Tom could not get her out of his mind. He was angry. "The impudence of her," he thought to himself, and resolved to ignore her completely. But when he stood with the bridegroom in the big church that afternoon, and saw her coming toward him in her lovely white frock, his heart gave a queer little turn, and then seemed to stand still. In the quick glance he had of her, he thought she looked a little pale, but so pretty, so wonderfully pretty. As she passed by him, she looked up at him a moment, Tom's eyes were fixed above her head, and he never glanced at her.

All during the reception and supper it was the same. His eyes never seemed to rest upon her, although he was wildly aware of Sheldon's devotion.

But after the excitement of the bride's departure had died away, and almost all but the house party had gone, Tom came up to her as she stood talking to Sheldon. His manner was as cool as it well could be.

"May I see you a moment, Miss Kenyon?" he said quietly, looking at Sheldon.

"Mr. Sheldon will excuse me?" said the girl, which Sheldon did, with as pleasant an expression as he could muster.

They walked through the long drawing room to the little rose reception room under the stairs. It was quite deserted.

"I wish to apologize, Miss Kenyon, if I offended you last night. It is perhaps needless to assure you that it was unintentional. Will you pardon me?" He stood before her, very stiff and straight, with his blond head well up.

The girl was picking a rose to pieces. Her fingers trembled a little.

"I am sorry if I was rude to you last night," she said, "I assure you it was quite intentional on my part, but I was very sorry after I had done it."

Tom moved quickly. "Do you care for that fellow," he said. "Sheldon?"

"No," she whispered, her eyes downcast. He hesitated a moment.

"Could you ever care for me, little one?" he said wistfully. "Because ——you know I love you, dear. So much, so much. I can't let you be so hard to me," and his voice broke a little. "Couldn't you try to love me just a little?"

She looked up with a mischievous little smile.

"You are not the least little bit of a 'Conquering Hero' now," she said, and he took her into his arms.

Mr. Sheldon did not attend the wedding.

The Gates of Gibraltar.

Quite the favorite sight at Gibraltar is the daily procession at sundown for the locking of the town gates. The keeper of the keys, looking very like a prisoner despite his uniform, marches through the town in the centre of a military guard, preceded by a regimental band, which plays inspiring familiar tunes. The keys, of enormous size, are borne aloft before him as an outward and visible emblem of the vigilance of Britain in guarding her prime military treasure. On arriving at the gates, the guard salutes, the martial strains strike up with redoubled peal of triumph, while the great doors slowly swing to, and are solemnly locked for the night. Then right about turn, and the procession marches back to the convent to deposit the keys in the governor's keeping, conveying by its passage an assurance to the people and garrison that they may rest in peace. Once the gates are shut it were easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for any unauthorized person to go into Gibraltar. Even a belated officer returning from pig-sticking beyond the lines would be confronted by so many formalities and the necessity of inconveniencing so high personages that he would probably prefer to encounter the discomfort of a Spanish inn without.

His Cognomen.

He boards on Winder street and is the youngest brother of a Detroit lawyer. He hasn't been away from school long, and what he thinks he has forgotten would fill a volume.

The young ladies at the table try to squelch him with looks and cutting remarks, but they waste their time. He is impervious to their snubs and bits of sarcasm. He continues his unsalted, verdant course, unruffled.

And now they call him "Truth."

"Why?" someone asked a young lady boarder the other evening.

And she replied naively, "Because truth crushed to earth will rise again."
—Detroit Free Press.

BOERS STILL GOOD SHOTS.

So Phlegmatic That They Do Not Get Excited Under Fire.

W. H. Forbes-Townsend of Liverpool seems to be the English globe trotter of whom so much has been written, for apparently from his talk he has been in all countries. He spoke most interestingly of the Transvaal, saying: "I spent eight months there just prior to Jameson's famous raid, and became thoroughly familiar with the country and its inhabitants, although I cannot say I ever became intimate with any of them, as the Boers are absolutely the most uncommunicative people I have ever seen. I spent a large part of my time there in Johannesburg, which is a typical mining town, although it has been largely built up and has some very handsome buildings.

"The Boers themselves are very dull mentally, non-progressive and phlegmatic; this last, however, tells in their favor in battle, as they do not become in the least excited when under fire. It is a mistake to think that they have lost their ability as shots, for they practise marksmanship continually and are the most expert shots I have ever seen. I myself constantly saw the small Boer boys practising shooting on the Veldt, and some of them couldn't have been over six years old.

"I also trekked (pronounced treekked) up to the Limpopo river, which is the boundary line between the Transvaal and Matabeleland, for the shooting, which is the finest for both bird and beast I have ever had. I got a pretty good idea of the lay of the country, and it has the most perfect natural defences in the world. On the Natal border the few passes there are so narrow and of such a character that forty men can with ease hold themselves against a thousand, and the same is true of all their other frontiers. Then the country from its nature affords natural second lines of defence, for it is made up of successive ranges of mountains, with level plains, or veldts, between, and all the mountains can only be crossed by passes of so difficult a nature as to render it possible for a few men to stand off a large number.

"It is also a mistake to think that the Boers are unable to handle artillery. Young Boers are sent abroad for their education, and large numbers of them have studied in the military schools of France, Germany, and even England itself. As in the past, in each company of Boer soldiery a number of sharpshooters are told off whose sole duty it will be to pick off the officers of the enemy. These companies number about 100 men each. When we were in San Francisco we met a number of prominent mining men there who have been in the Transvaal and were thoroughly acquainted with the country and with the Boers and their characteristics, and while we all know that in the end Great Britain would undoubtedly conquer, we all agreed that it would nevertheless take her a long time to do it, and that the nut she has set herself to crack is likely to prove far more difficult than most people at present realize."

Proved a Horse's Friend.

A very ordinary looking farm horse harnessed to an old wagon stood by the curb, and on the board that served for a seat lay a small dog of such mixed blood that no guess can be made as to his breed, says the Burlington Free Press.

As a delivery wagon passed on the opposite side of the street a large red apple fell off. Before it stopped rolling the dog bounded across the street, picked it up with his teeth, and with tail wagging, rushed back to the horse, in front of which he stood on his hind legs while the apple was taken from his mouth.

As the horse munched the apple he made the peculiar little noise that horses make when petted, and doggie replied with throaty little barks which plainly told what a pleasure it had been to go after that apple. Then he went back to his nap on the wagon seat.

The Main Point.

"Yes, my dear," said a New York man to his eighteen-year-old daughter, "I wish you would do your best to captivate the heart of our coachman."

"And elope with him, papa?"

"Yes, my dear."

"Ah, I see; you dear, cute papa! You want all the paper to say I am a fascinating beauty and a reigning belle."

"Well, that would help me a little; but that is not the main point."

"What is it, then, papa?"

"Why, the papers will all say you are the daughter of a millionaire, and that will enlarge my credit. See? Now you run out to the stable; that's a good girl."—Ohio State Journal.

Calcium Carbide Manufacture.

According to the report of a German calcium carbide manufacturer, 650 tons of lime and 615 tons of coal are theoretically required to make 1000 tons of carbide. But, in practice, 1024 tons of lime and 710 tons of coal are necessary to make that quantity of this valuable compound. According to this report, one pound of carbide should cost a little less than two cents.

THIS SCHEME WORKED.

A Swindler's Slick Way of Getting Money on a Draft and a Forged Copy of It.

A novel fraud by which a Minnesota bank was induced innocently to abet the robbing of a Montana bank has perplexed recently one of the detective agencies. Inquiries made last week at a St. Paul hotel as to a possible guest who wore a silk hat, a Prince Albert coat and gray mutton chop whiskers revealed the nature of the criminal scheme. But the inquiring detective would not repeat names.

A few weeks ago, said the detective, the very respectable gentleman with the silk hat bought of a country bank not far from St. Paul a draft on New York for $1600, paying for it in currency. He explained he was going to a small town in Montana and that he did not care to take so large a sum with him in cash. Would the cashier kindly notify the only bank in that Montana town that he had sold the New York draft to Mr. Hat, and that Mr. Hat would cash the draft at the Montana town? Certainly the cashier would write. He did write. And when the owner of the draft appeared a few days later at the Montana bank, he found not the slightest difficulty in cashing a forged copy of the draft.

"You're Mr. Hat of Philadelphia. Of course," said the exchange clerk in Montana. "We received a letter from the bank that sold you the draft. Let's see? Tall, gray sidewhiskers, very subdued manner. Oh yes! that's all right. Description, a matter of form, you know. Your signature? exact, of course."

So with apologies for taking the usual precautions, the clerk, upon comparing the signatures of Mr. Hat, accepted his receipt and gave him all in gold, as became a banker of the mining state, $1600. As the new customer went out he made a particularly good joke about the Montana weather.

The old gentleman with the subdued manner had copied the original draft upon a blank that he had somehow secured from the Minnesota bank. The letter from the bank would naturally have quieted any suspicion in Montana, for the letter gave, as usual, the number of the draft and other details, which were fully corroborated in the forged copy. Inasmuch as the letter proved to the Montana bank that Mr. Hat must possess an original draft for the amount required, the bank would never entertain the thought that a forged copy would be presented by the holder of that original. Thus the cashing of the forgery was easy.

At once the gentle defrauder took the next train to Minnesota. He reappeared before the cashier of the Minnesota bank, and smiled through an unctuous apology.

"I am extremely sorry to trouble you again," said the urbane gentleman. "But you see, I've decided not to make that Montana trip this month. I have found a little real estate deal up in St. Paul where I can invest the money to better advantage at least for the present. Now, will you be good enough to cancel your draft here." (extending the bona fide original) "and let me have the $1600."

The Minnesota cashier was as agreeable as had been the Montana clerk. The agreeable Philadelphian received his second $1600. He smiled. The cashier smiled. The Montana clerk kept smiling whenever he thought of the affable stranger who made so pleasant a little joke about the weather. Everybody continued to smile until the Montana bank drew upon the Minnesota bank for $1600 advanced upon a draft. Then there was but one smiler left—the polished, the respectable, the witty Mr. Hat of Philadelphia."

The Feminine Observer.

A woman's club is made up of "don'ts" and dues.

Which is worse the bicycle face or the football hair?

A woman is always reading the fashion hints and then giving her husband a few.

We often wonder what other sort of trouble would trouble us as much as the sort we have.

A widower always argues that the reason he marries a second time is out of compliment to his first wife.

Fashionable sleeves are so small that it would be an utter impossibility for women to wear their hearts in them.

A man never feels that he is really getting old until he has lost his desire to run to every fire in the neighborhood.

No matter how loudly a man snores, he never acknowledges that he is sleeping; he is only thinking with his eyes shut.

Small eyes are said to indicate cunning, particularly when they are in needles and must be threaded with coarse cotton.

With the coming of winter a man has the joyous satisfaction of knowing where his neckties are to be found, as his shirtwaist wife and sister have no special use for them at this season.—Philadelphia Times.

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Not Exactly a Failure.

Mrs. Gotham—So your marriage was a failure? Mrs. Lakeside—Yes, but I'm the preferred creditor. All my husband's property is in my name.—Town Topics.

Save the Nickels.

From saving, comes having. Ask your grocer how you can save 15c by investing 5c. He can tell you just how you can get one large 10c package of "Red Cross" starch, one large 10c package of "Hubinger's Best" starch, with the premiums, two beautiful Shakespeare panels, printed in twelve beautiful colors, or one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, all for 5c. Ask your grocer for this starch and obtain these beautiful Christmas presents free.

Crushed Him.

Indianapolis Journal: The Shoe Clerk—Beg your pardon, madam, but it is a number five shoe you want, instead of a number three. She—Number five! You must be thinking of the size of your hat.

Rain has never been known to fall in that part of Egypt between the two lower falls of the Nile.

How Are Your Kidneys?

Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

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Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

The controversy about dressing for dinner at hotels appears to have spread to Switzerland, but those who favor it are not in the least likely to carry the day. Whatever English people may do, German travelers, who regard their 1 o'clock meal as dinner and everything else as a secondary matter, neither wear dress clothes nor carry them about.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure to get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
Sold by druggists: price 75c. per bottle.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

In one corner of the melting rooms at the New Orleans mint is a large iron tank in which the newly-cast silver bars are dropped, hissing, to cool off. At the end of a hard day's work the surface of the water shows a faint rainbow-hued scum, like the metallic luster of stagnant pools, seen near a dye house. It comes in part from microscopic flakes of silver that have scaled off in cooling.

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Member of the Family.

Omaha World-Herald: Papa Gruff—"That young Softleigh asked me for your hand today." Ethyl Gruff—"And what did you say to him, papa, dear?" Papa Gruff—"I told him your mother needed 'em both in the dishwater, but compromised by giving him my foot."

Like Finding Money.

The use of the Endless Chain Starch Book in the purchase of "Red Cross" and "Hubinger's Best" starch, makes it just like finding money. Why, for only 5c you are enabled to get one large 10c package of "Red Cross" starch, one large 10c package of "Hubinger's Best" starch, with the premiums, two Shakespeare panels, printed in twelve beautiful colors, or one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, embossed in gold. Ask your grocer for this starch and obtain the beautiful Christmas presents free

His Record Saved Him from Punishment

H. B. Ford was a member of company B, Idaho volunteers, which recently got home from the Philippines, with a splendid record of hard fighting to their credit. Ford went to Spokane after the regiment was discharged. There he was recognized as an escaped convict by Sheriff Tucker of Yakima county, whom Ford, then going under the name of Feamster, attempted to shoot several years ago. For the crime he was arrested at the time and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. He escaped from jail while his case was pending on an appeal and volunteered for service in the Philippines. When the sheriff heard his story he offered to ask for his permanent discharge, and the Superior court has just suspended his sentence indefinitely.

Too Small.

Uncle 'Zek'el Watson was accustomed to seeing good-sized squares of cup-cake, 'election cake or gingerbread on the super table, and when he had his first plate of ice cream in a city restaurant he looked with some disfavor upon the macaroons and small sponge drops which accompanied it. "How do you like it?" asked his niece, who was doing the honors of the city for her uncle. "The ice cream is first rate," said Uncle 'Zek'el. "I call it extry good; but when you come to these things," he added, lifting one of the sponge "lady fingers" and surveying it doubtfully, "I presume to say they're all right enough, what there is of 'em, but there isn't enough of 'em—just nothing but gape and swallow!"

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 94,398]

"I am so grateful to you for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me that I feel as though I must tell about it. A year ago I was taken very sick. Doctors could do me no good only to deaden the pain which I had almost constantly. I got some of your Compound and took one bottle and received benefit from it at once. I have taken it ever since and now have no backache, no pain in my side and my stomach and bowels are perfectly well. I can honestly say that there is nothing like it. If I could only tell every woman how much good your medicine has done me, they would surely try it."—MARTHA M. KING, NORTH ATTLEBORO, MASS.

Women Would Surely Try Mrs. Pinkham's Medicine if They Only Knew, Says Mrs. King

The way women trifle with health shows a degree of indifference that is past understanding. Happiness and usefulness depend on physical health; so does a good disposition. Disease makes women nervous, irritable and snappish. The very effort of ailing women to be good-natured makes them nervous. Write to Mrs. Pinkham, she will help you to health and happiness.

It costs nothing to get Mrs. Pinkham's advice. Her address is Lynn, Mass.

NEW FOREIGN PLANTS.

EUROPEAN VEGETABLES THAT ARE DESIRABLE FOR OUR GARDENS.

They Are Not Known Here and the Department of Agriculture Proposes to Introduce Them — Novelties in Fruit Suitable for Cultivation Here Also Found

The officials of the department of agriculture, Washington, are highly pleased with the results obtained by the special agents who have been studying the seeds and plants of foreign countries with a view of introducing them into the United States. This study is being carried on with the $20,000 appropriated by Congress to collect, purchase, test, propagate and distribute rare and valuable seeds, bulbs, trees, shrubs, vines, cuttings and plants from foreign countries for experiment with reference to their introduction into this country.

Walter C. Swingle of the division of botany has returned from a visit to the Mediterranean countries, where he studied the agriculture of southern Europe and northern Africa, and gained much valuable information. Before leaving for home he made arrangements with nurserymen to send to the United States such seeds and plants as might be called for. While studying grape culture, fig caprification, date growing, etc., he came across a number of new vegetables which it is hoped will prove acceptable to American tastes. Of these he says:

"The crosne or stachys is a Chinese and Japanese vegetable. It has white tubers two to four inches long and the size of one's finger, but looking like a crowded string of large beads. They were imported into France, where their value was discovered by M. Paillenx, a gentleman of leisure, who devoted his grounds at Crosne, near Paris, to the culture of strange and new vegetables from all parts of the world. He was so pleased with this one that he did everything possible to bring it into notice. After several years he succeeded and the vegetable is now well known in Paris. It is called after the name of M. Pailleux's place. Boiled or fried and served with meat it is delicious. The plant is perfectly hardy and grows in all soils, yielding as much as five tons to the acre. Two other tubers of delicate flavor, much esteemed in Paris, are the tuberous-rooted cherville and tuberous-rooted nasturtium (the mayna of Chile).

"In the Mediterranean countries much use is made of the vegetable marrow, of which many species are known. It is a sort of summer squash, and is eaten before fully ripe, when it much resembles a large green cucumber. Cooked and served with meat it is excellent, and no food is considered more easily digested. Many varieties are known in Italy, Greece and Turkey, as well as in Germany and England. Among other vegetables of great merit might be mentioned two species of asparagus, new to America. One of these came from Algeria, and the other from Naples, called asparagus kale, is said to be the most delicious of the cabbage family. The cos lettuces of Italy and Turkey are exceptionally fine.

Mr. Swingle also brought specimens of the pistache nut, which he thinks likely will prove of great value to California and Arizona. Large quantities of these nuts are imported for use in flavoring ice cream, etc. In the Mediterranean regions they are eaten like nuts and considered even finer than the splendid almonds and walnuts produced there. Mr. Swingle thinks there is a great future for this nut when it becomes known to Americans. The choice varieties are propagated by grafting, and arrangements have been made to secure a quantity of slips for use in this country next spring.

Another novelty obtained by the department is a large-fruited over-bearing strawberry, which has been brought out in France within recent years. The ordinary varieties of strawberries yield only for a few weeks, while this one produces for months on the same stems. The two best varieties of the new plant are called the St. Joseph and the St. Anthony, and were originated not by professional growers, but by a modest country priest, the Abbe Thevolet, residing in one of the central districts of France. Lovers of cantalopes will be interested in the introduction of the kirk agache muskmelon, which has a great reputation for flavor and sweetness in the country around Smyrna. An American missionary who returned home on a visit a year or two ago informed Mr. Swingle that he had been unable to eat the American cantelope on account of its inferiority to the Turkish, to which he had become accustomed. Mr. Swingle visited Smyrna and obtained some of the seed of the noted melon, and it will be cultivated here.

Speaking of the artichoke, Mr. Swingle says:

"This vegetable is highly prized by rich and poor alike in Europe and is cultivated extensively in France and Italy. The plant is a perennial, and the fine varieties are propogated by suckers from the roots of the old plant in the same manner as pineapples. In order to introduce the culture of this much-neglected vegetable we have imported a quantity of carefully potted suckers. In spite of all precautions many died. Enough survived, however, to produce a stock which can soon be multiplied indefinitely. The New York market is now supplied from France and Italy, Naples being a heavy exporter. The absurdity of shipping a delicate vegetable 6000 miles when it can be grown with perfect success at home is evident. Artichokes have long been grown extensively around New Orleans, where there is a good local market for them, but their use as a vegetable is practically unknown in the south elsewhere. The department will endeavor to extend their cultivation in the Southern States, and it is thought a demand will arise as soon as the qualities of the tuber are known to the people generally."

MISSISSIPPI SNAG BOATS.

Dragging Monster Tree Stumps From the Clinging River Mud.

When one of these boats in patrolling the river comes across a snag that projects above the surface of the water it drops down stream and approaches it from below and steers carefully up to it till the snag is between the two bows of the boat. Then a chain is made fast to the snag and attached to the powerful derricks that the boat is equipped with and the snag is jerked bodily from the bottom of the river and pulled up till it rests against what is called the butting beam, and then a huge saw is called into service and the snag is sawed up into small pieces and damped into the river to float down harmlessly like a snake deprived of its fangs, and no longer a terror to navigation. In the upper Mississippi around St. Louis the snags are of comparatively small size, but down below Memphis huge cypress trees, with their immense buttresses over six feet through at the base, have to be dealt with, and it takes all the power of the great engines with which these boats are equipped to drag the monsters from their lodgement in the close-clinging river mud. From early in July till the river closes up with ice in the winter the boats patrol up and down the river, watching for impediments to navigation.

The snag-boats do not deal with snags alone, but it is a large part of their work to watch the river banks closely for trees that are in danger of falling into the river and becoming snags. When one is seen the boat is run up to the bank and made fast, and a crew of men with saws is sent ashore to cut down the threatening monster and arrest its career before it becomes a menace to life and property.

When a snag is so deep sunk in the bed of the river as to be concealed from view the ripple above it gives warning, and many a river boat has been saved from destruction by the quick action of the pilot, whose experienced eye has detected the latent danger and whose ready hand has steered the boat safely by it. In this case the method of procedure is somewhat different from that used where the snag is on the surface. The boat is run up to where the ripple shows where the danger is and a huge chain is droppod down into the water, suspended from one bow to the other, and the boat steams slowly ahead till the chain is under the snag; then a windlass is used and the chain is drawn up and the snag is brought into sight, slimy and water-logged from its rest in the oozy bed of the river. The saw is put into use again and it is sawed up and disposed of as the others are.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Fighting Forest Fires.

The fighting of a forest fire is about the most hopeless task human beings ever undertook. The cold truth with regard to forest fires is that once started they cannot be extinguished by anything but the rain from heaven as long as there is anything to burn. Their ravages can be lessened by prevention only, and, though much ingenuity has been expended in the devising of measures to this end, nothing of real efficiency has yet been perfected in America. They do better in Europe somewhat. There, despite the existence of many extensive stretches of forest growth, the proportionate destruction of trees by fire is much less than here. This is because of stringent rules against the starting of casual fires in the woods and the enforcement of the rules by a rigid patrol system. The United States will be much older than now before any efficient forest patrol can be maintained here, though special patrols are established temporarily in some sections in times of drought. Another plan, involving the cutting of wide lanes of timber and clearing all the stumps from the ground, so that an advancing fire would be checked by lack of fuel, have been advocated repeatedly, but the scheme has never been put into extensive operation.

One reason for this is found in the circumstance that such lanes would have to be of width that is virtually impracticable in a virgin forest region. Often fiery brands are carried a mile or more when a genuine woods fire is on, and the air sometimes becomes so hot for miles around as fairly to dry the trees into flame. Twenty-foot planks, all blazing, have been known to be lifted into the air and carried a full half mile ahead of the advancing fire.—New York Press.

One of the trials of those interested in the culture of flowers is the presence of destructive insects. Persons who have been discouraged by the trouble and often lack of success attending the use of insecticides will find the following simple and easily prepared wash entirely effective. It is the recipe of Mr. Eben E. Rexford, an authority of national reputation.

Shave a quarter of a pound of Ivory Soap in water sufficient to cover it and dissolve upon the stove, then add five gallons of warm water. Spray this solution upon the plants with a florist's syringe, or if they are small dip them bodily into it. In either case, be sure to reach every part. Let them stand half an hour and then rinse with clear water.

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Tastes Differed.

In his entertaining biography of Lord Houghton, Sir T. Weymss Reid tells how when Carlyle paid his first visit to Fryston, Mr. Milnes (Lord Houghton's father), on hearing his guest express admiration of the prospect from the hall, pointed out the tall chimney of some manufactory on the far horizon and expressed his regret that it should recently have been erected and spoiled the rustic character of the view. "Spoiled the view!" said Carlyle, "why, sir, I think that is just the pleasantest feature in the whole bit of scenery. It shows us that somebody is doing something in this part of the world at any rate."

According to Dr. Schjerning, there were only 950 cases of tuberculosis last year in a force of 514,830 men. The number of deaths from this disease in the army has been gradually decreasing from .42 per thousand in 1892 to .24 per thousand in 1897.

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According to a German journal, more than 8 per cent. of all seafaring men are afflicted with rheumatism.

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A good horse belonging to Mr. W. A. Diehl, Pitt street, is suffering from lock-jaw, caused by getting wet and taking cold.

Mrs. Ellen, wife of Oliver Mowery, died at her home near Littlestown on Monday. Mrs Mowery was formerly the wife of Francis Hemler, dec'd, and was a resident of this place for many years.

Samuel McC. Swope, President Judge of Adams county, on Monday evening gave a dinner at his home in Gettysburg in honor of retiring Associate Judge T. S. Blocher, of Littlestown, who was on the bench for the last five years. Nerly all the members of the bar were present. Some of the gentlemen who responded to toasts were ex-Judge McClean, Judge Swope's predecessor, and Hon. David McConaughy, the oldest member of the bar.

"Sancho" the large yellow cat owned by Mr. J. F. Dodge of Carlisle St., and brought by him from Connecticut three years ago, died on Wednesday from the effect of a gunshot wound received a week ago on Tuesday. He was a great pet, and attracted considerable notice from callers on account of his size (weighing over 13 lbs.) and having seven toes on each of his forefeet and six on each of his hind ones.

York Springs Churches.

An anomalous condition exists in the churches of York Springs. The Episcopalians have no membership, and their brick edifice is deserted. The Lutherans have lost their pastor, who has been called to Altoona. The Methodist minister died, and Presbyterian pulpit is vacant. In consequence, there was no Thanksgiving service.

Hicks on December.

The second winter period will rage in most parts of the country from the 6th to 9th, ending in a blizzard in northern northern sections. Cold weather will follow. The December solstice 12th to 13th will cause snow and local storms in many sections.

A severe winter period will also extend from 22d to 25th and from the 28th to 31st. "The indications are that Christmas will be clear, or clearing, with rising barometer and quite cold. Solstice squalls of wind and local storms will prevail here and there."

A Brutal Assault.

A tramp who did not know how to appreciate a kiud act on Sunday morning called at the home of Daniel Bear, who lives in Washington township, near Kralltown, York county. No one was at home excepting Annie Bear, a daughter of the farmer. He demanded food, which was given to him. After satisfying his hunger he demanded all the money in the house, making threats to do the girl bodily harm if she did not comply with his demand. The frightened girl gave him the sum of fifty-nine cents, all the money she could find. This did not satisfy the villian, for he knocked her down three times and left her unconscious on the floor. The brute made his escape.

To The Deaf.—A rich lady cured of Deafness and Noises in the Head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave $10,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free. Address No. 9052, The Nicholson Institute, 780, Eighth Avenue, New York.

Cigar Industry Booming.

The cigar industry in the Ninth Internal Revenue District is experiencing a boom of large proportions at the present time, as is shown by the increased receipts reported from month to month. For the month of November the receipts were $298,444.07, the largest amount being from cigars, $215,546.32 This is an increase of $47,444.95 over the corresponding month of last year. Of this increase $25,378.79 was from cigars alone.

To Cure La Grippe in Two Days.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund themoney if it fails to cure E. W. Grove's signature on every box. 25c.

Not Guilty.

A janitor in a neighboring school threw up his job. When asked what was the trouble, he answered: "I'm honest and won't stand being slurred. If I find a pencil or a handkerchief about the school when I'm sweeping, I hang it up. Every little while the teacher or some one that is too cowardly gives me a slur." "In what way?" asked the officer. "Why, a little while ago I saw written on the board, 'Find the common multiple.' Well I looked from cellar to garret, and I wouldn't know the thing if I met it on the street. What made me quit my job? Last night, in big letters, written on the blackboard, it said, 'Find the greatest common divisor.' Well I says to myself, both the darned things is lost and I'll get blamed for stealing 'em so I'll quit."

Many persons who say they are playing the piano, are considered by their neighbors as "working" it

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Sometime ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—Thomas C. Bower, Glencoe, O. For sale at Wehler's drug store, New Oxford.

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2 07	7 02	——	Hagerstown	12 10	——	8
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——	6 00	——	Le Ship'nsb'g Ar	1 06	——	8
1 45	6 31	——	Chambersburg	12 39	——	8
2 18	7 05	——	Waynesboro	12 02	——	7
2 36	7 27	——	Ar Edg'mont Le	11 45	——	7
2 41	7 35	——	Le Edg'mont Ar	11 42	——	7
2 56	7 50	——	Ar Highfield Le	11 28	——	7
2 56	7 50	——	Le Highfield Ar	11 25	——	7
3 24	8 16	——	Fairfield	10 56	——	6
3 33	8 24	——	Orrtanna	10 45	——	6
3 38	8 28	——	McKnightstown	10 49	——	6
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3 52	8 43	——	Gettysburg	10 28	1 12	5
4 14	9 05	——	New Oxford	10 03	12 51	5
4 18	9 09	A. M.	Berlin Junction	9 59	12 48	5
4 31	9 22	6 10	Hanover	9 46	12 37	5
4 45	9 35	6 20	Porters	9 32	12 25	5
4 50	9 42	6 25	Sirsheim	9 25	12 20	5
5 01	9 54	6 33	Green Ridge	9 15	12 10	5
5 05	9 56	6 35	Glenville	9 13	12 08	5
5 12	10 04	6 44	Lineboro	9 05	12 00	5
5 20	10 11	6 51	Alesia	8 57	11 53	5
5 31	10 21	7 01	Green Mount	8 47	11 42	5
5 35	10 25	7 05	Hampstead	8 43	11 38	5
5 43	10 31	7 13	Arcadia	8 36	11 31	5
5 54	10 41	7 25	Woodensburg	8 26	11 21	4
5 58	10 45	7 30	Ar Em'y Gro Le	8 22	11 17	4
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